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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 7th January 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Jan. 7, '88	Nil	Several cloudy days, but weather not so cool as might be at this season of the year. Prospects of winter crops fair. In the Cutwa sub-division the rice harvest has been below the estimate.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of *amun* rice continues. Sugarcane is being cut. Mustard, *soorgunja*, wheat, barley and pulses are coming on well. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Beerbhoom „ 7, '88	0·16	The first portion of the week was characterised by cloudy and depressing weather. Rain fell on the 5th and the sky is now clear. The rain has been of service to the *rubbi* crops, but more is wanted.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Reaping of crops nearly concluded. The rice harvest generally has been good.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hooghly „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Winter rice harvest nearly over; estimated outturn about 8 annas on the average. Other crops doing well.
	Howrah „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Harvesting of *amun* and sugarcane continues.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Jan 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and cool. Prospects of winter crops satisfactory. Harvesting of *amun* paddy continues. Sugarcane is being cut.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Harvesting of rice nearly completed.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* still continues. Winter crops doing well.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of *amun* crop still going on. Prospects good. Cold-weather crops doing well.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 7, '88	0·05	Weather—seasonable and cloudy. Harvesting of *amun* still continues. Sugarcane, wheat and other winter crops promising well.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Jan. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Winter rice is being reaped. Mustard and tobacco doing well.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 7, '88	0·03	Weather—seasonable. Prospects good, except that a little rain is wanted for the cold-weather crops. Harvesting of *amun* paddy continues.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 7, '88	0·08	Weather—cloudy with light rain. Harvesting of *amun* nearly finished; outturn above the average. Crushing of sugarcane continues. Cold-weather crops doing well. Prices falling.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops continue favourable.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and cool. Prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 7, '88	0·14	Weather—fair. State and prospects of crops good, though more rain would be acceptable.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy at times. More than 12 annas of winter paddy have been harvested. *Kalai* is being gathered. *Rubbi* crops doing well, but a little rain would be beneficial. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Jan. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy at intervals. Harvesting of *amun* paddy nearly completed. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Fodder is plentiful.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cloudy occasionally. Prospects and condition of crops satisfactory.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops very good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and cold. State and prospects of all crops satisfactory.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Jan. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* nearly completed; outturn good. Winter crops progressing. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cloudy at times. Reaping of *amun* continues. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 5, '87	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. There is nothing to complain of in respect of the crops.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold and heavy fogs up to 9 in the morning throughout the week. Harvesting of late plough-paddy still continues. Mustard and other cold-weather crops doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 4, '87	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy. Reaping of *amun* paddy nearly over. Cotton and *til* still being gathered. Prospects of tobacco, chillies and mustard fair.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BEHAR.			
Patna Div. 26	Patna Jan. 7, '88	0·01	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of paddy approaching completion; threshing in progress. Early poppy thriving. Prospects of *rabbi* still fair, but rain wanted. In the Barh sub-division insects have somewhat affected *rabbi*. Prices of food-grains, especially grain, wheat, and *khesari*, rising owing to export to up-country.
27	Gya ,, 7, '88	0·02	Weather—cold. Paddy is being reaped and threshed. *Rabbi* is suffering in some places from insects. Poppy coming on well.
28	Shahabad ,, 7, '88	0·02	Weather—cloudy for the greater part of the week; latterly cool and clear. Harvesting of rice completed. Prospects of *rabbi* and poppy continue hopeful, though it is feared that cloudy weather, without rain, may do some injury to the crops. A little rain at present will benefit both the *rabbi* and poppy crops.
29	Durbhunga ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy; west wind prevailing. Harvesting of rice nearly completed with excellent outturn. *Rabbi* continues promising, but wants rain. Mustard and peas in flower. Poppy looks well. Tobacco has begun to be harvested. Price of common rice averages 19 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy during first-half of the week, since fair. Threshing of paddy nearly completed. Prospects of *rabbi* fair, but rain wanted. Weeding and watering of poppy progressing. This crop has suffered to some extent from drought and caterpillars in the unirrigated lands in the Sudder sub-division.
31	Sarun ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and seasonable. Mornings occasionally cloudy and foggy. Prospects of *rabbi* and poppy continue good. *Rahar* excellent. A shower of rain will do much good.
32	Chumparun ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. Threshing of paddy approaching completion. *Rabbi* and poppy doing well. A shower of rain is needed.
Bhagulpore Div. 33	Mongyr Jan. 7, '88	0·01	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of winter rice nearly finished and threshing in progress; outturn below the average. Prospects of *rabbi* and poppy continue favourable but a shower of rain would do much good.
34	Bhagulpur ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and cold. Harvesting of winter rice nearly over. *Kalai kurthi*, and *tori* being reaped. Other *rabbi* crops require a shower of rain. Cloudy weather has not yet affected them to any appreciable extent.
35	Purneah ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. Late rice nearly harvested. Winter crops doing well.
36	Maldah ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy; drizzling rain on the night of the 5th, Harvesting of winter rice still going on. *Kalai* and mustard also continue to be gathered Prospects of all cold-weather crops favourable. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs. ,, 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy, but no rain has fallen. Paddy nearly harvested. Winter crops reported well, but a good and general shower is wanted.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Div. 38	Cuttack Jan. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy at times. Reaping of *sarad* rice in progress and that of *rabbi* crops nearly completed. *Dalua* rice is being transplanted. Price of common rice almost unchanged.
39	Pooree ,, 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Sarad* rice is still being harvested. *Dalua* rice is thriving well. Common rice 25 seers 7 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 26 seers 15 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore ,, 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of *sarad* paddy is coming to an end. *Dalua* is growing *Rabbi* is ripening. Sugarcane is being pressed. Prospects of all crops continue favourable.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Div. 41	Hazaribagh, Jan. 6, '88	0·26	Weather—cloudy; slight rain. Harvesting of paddy completed; outturn between 8 and 12 annas. Sugarcane is being cut and pressed; yield between 12 and 14 annas. *Rabbi* crops have suffered severely from want of rain. Poppy reported to be promising, but a little more rain would improve prospects. Stocks generally sufficient. Cattle-disease reported in some villages.
42	Lohardugga ,, 7, '88	0·59	Weather—cloudy. Rain during the week has much benefited the standing *rabbi* crops. No change in prices.
43	Singbhoom ,, 6, '88	0·06	Weather cloudy. Slight rain all over the district during the week. Cold-weather crops doing well.
44	Manbhoom ,, 7, 88	0·13	Weather—cold and clear. The rain has cleared away the clouds, and will do good. Prospects of sugarcane and *arhar* excellent; the former is expected to yield 16 to 18 annas. Rice sells at from 20 to 25 seers per rupee. Cattle-disease at Gohera.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 7th January 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 14th January 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Jan. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of *amun* rice still continues. Sugarcane is being gathered. Wheat, barley and gram are thriving. Mustard and peas are flowering and promise an average outturn. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Beerbhoom „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of paddy continues. Prospect of *rubbi* good. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. *Rubbi* doing well except in thanas Binpur and Jhargram.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hooghly „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Winter rice harvest completed; outturn from eight to ten annas. Sugarcane pressing commenced; good outturn. Spring crops doing well.
	Howrah „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Harvesting of *amun* and sugarcane continues.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergns. Jan 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable Harvesting of *amun* rice going on. Prospects of cold-weather crops favourable.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* over. Sugarcane thriving. *Rubbi* doing well. Rain wanted.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* still continues. Winter crops doing well.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* crop almost completed; outturn good.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues; outturn good. *Rubbi* crops promising well.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur	...	Report not received.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye Jan. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* paddy approaching completion. Cold-weather crops doing fairly well.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 14, '88	Nil	*Amun* nearly harvested. Winter crops promising well on the whole.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops continue good. Sugarcane is being cut. Prospects of cold-weather crops promise well.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cool. Prospects of crops good. Outturn of cold-weather crops expected to be 16 annas.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—fine. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Fogs in the morning for the last three days of the week. Harvesting of winter paddy in progress. Sugarcane is being cut and pressed in places. Early potatoes are being gathered. Prospects of crops continue favourable. Prices nearly stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Jan. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Most of the waste lands in Naraingunge sub-division have been taken up for cultivation. Sugarcane is being cut.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops excellent.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of standing crops satisfactory.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Jan. 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* completed; outturn 12 annas. Prospects of other crops good. Prices steady.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *amun* continues. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 12, '87	Nil	Weather—dry and cold. *Amun* paddy reaped with very good outturn generally. Winter crops coming on well; a little rain wanted in parts.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold, and heavy fogs up to 10 in the morning throughout the week; somewhat warmer during last two days, from about noon to 2 P.M. Harvesting of plough-paddy is finished. Mustard and other cold-weather crops doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 11, '87	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. *Amun* paddy completely harvested; outturn good. Tobacco, sugarcane, chillies and mustard doing well.

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BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVS. 26	Patna Jan. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold and seasonable. Harvesting of paddy completed. Threshing going on. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue good, but rain wanted. Prices of food-grains rising owing to export to up-country.
27	Gya ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy nearly finished. It is being threshed. *Rubbi* no more injured by insects. Poppy coming on well.
28	Shahabad ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fine. *Rubbi* crops doing well, but rain wanted. Weather most favourable for poppy. The crop is looking well with every prospect of a good season.
29	Durbhunga ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold. Rice harvest completed. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue hopeful. A little rain will benefit them. Tobacco is being harvested. *Rahar* and peas in flower. Price of common rice averages 19 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy fair, but rain wanted. Early poppy coming into flower.
31	Sarun ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather seasonable. Prospects of crops continue good.
32	Chumparun ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cold; occasionally a little cloudy, but often foggy. Threshing of paddy almost completed in all parts. Poppy nearly in flower in some villages in the Sudder sub-division; in Bettiah it is being weeded and watered on irrigated lands. *Rubbi* has begun to flower in places. A shower of rain will be beneficial to both poppy and *rubbi*. *Arhar* is a very good crop.
BHAGULPORE DIVS. 33	Monghyr Jan. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold; cloudy at times. *Rubbi* and poppy crops continue to promise well.
34	Bhagulpur ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice nearly over. *Rubbi* crops promise well, but rain wanted. Mustard being gathered. Sugarcane has commenced to be cut.
	Banka ...	0·21	
35	Purneah ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. *Aghani* rice nearly harvested. Winter crops doing well.
36	Maldah ,, 14 '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. The harvest of winter rice, *kalai*, &c., is still going on with good outturn. Wheat and other crops are growing well, but some rain would do good. Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs, ,, 14, 88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rice crop harvested. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue fair, except in Rajmehal, where rain is badly wanted. Rain is generally wanted. Sugarcane is being cut in places.
	Deoghur	0·03	
	Godda	0·06	
	Pakor	0·08	
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVS. 38	Cuttack Jan. 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Sarad* rice is being reaped with fair outturn. *Dalua* is being transplanted and growing well. Common rice 18½ seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree ,, 12, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Sarad* rice is still being harvested. *Dalua* crop thriving well. Common rice 25 seers 6 chittacks in the Sudder sub-division and 26 seers 6 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cool. Harvesting of *sarad* rice coming to an end. *Dalua* rice growing well. *Rubbi* crops ripening. Sugarcane is being pressed. Prospects of all crops good.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVS. 41	Hazaribagh, Jan. 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Recent rain has done much good. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy have greatly improved. Poppy flowering. Harvesting of sugarcane continues with good outturn.
42	Lohardugga ,, 14, '88	0·01	Weather—seasonable and clear. Rain has much improved *rubbi* crops. Prices as before. Cattle-disease reported.
	Palamow ...	0·80	
43	Singbhoom ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold Want of rain for the *rubbi* crop is felt throughout the district. Sugarcane is being reaped and a 12-anna outturn is expected. *Rubbi* will yield very little owing to want of rain.
44	Manbhoom ,, 14, 88	Nil	Weather—fair and cold. *Arhar* being gathered. Sugar-making has commenced; a good yield expected. Molasses and treacle selling at 8 to 10 seers per rupee. Prospects of wheat and barley fair, but of mustard indifferent, Rice selling at 20 to 24 seers per rupee.
	Govindapur ...	0·10	

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Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 21st January 1888.

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BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Div. 1	Burdwan, Jan 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, and cooler than last week. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Div. 2	Bankoora „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops thriving. Sugarcane is being cut and pressed; a 12-anna outturn expected. Prices continue stationary.
Burdwan Div. 3	Beerbhoom „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; sometimes cloudy during latter portion of the week. Threshing of paddy continues. Sugarcane is being cut. Cereals look healthy Prices stationary.
Burdwan Div. 4	Midnapur „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. *Rubbi* and *boro* promise well.
Burdwan Div. 5	Hooghly „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. Prospects of crops continue good Rice selling at from 14½ to 16 seers per rupee.
	Howrah „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Harvesting of *amun* and sugarcane continues.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Div. 6	24-Perghs. Jan 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cool and cloudy at times Harvesting of *amun* nearly over; outturn satisfactory. Sugarcane is still being cut.
Presidency Div. 7	Nuddea „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable on the whole. Sugarcane and *rubbi* doing well. Rain is much wanted.
Presidency Div. 8	Khoolna „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* still continues. Winter crops doing well
Presidency Div. 9	Jessore „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* nearly completed. Prospects of winter crops not very good for want of rain.
Presidency Div. 10	Moorshedabad „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues; outturn good. *Rubbi* crops promising well.
Rajshahye Div. 11	Dinagepur Jan. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice still continues. Prospects of standing crops good. Rice 24 seers per rupee.
Rajshahye Div. 12	Rajshahye „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Cold-weather crops doing fairly well Sugarcane is being cut.
Rajshahye Div. 13	Rungpur „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—dry. *Amun* is still being harvested. Gathering of mustard has commenced Land is being prepared for *aus*. Prospects of tobacco and pulses good.
Rajshahye Div. 14	Bogra „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Cold-weather crops promise well. Harvesting of *amun* nearly over.
Rajshahye Div. 15	Pubna „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and colder. Prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Div. 16	Darjeeling „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. State and prospects of crops good. Rain wanted.
Rajshahye Div. 17	Julpigoree „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold; cloudy at times. Harvesting of winter rice almost completed; outturn ten to twelve annas *Rubbi* crops doing well. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Div. 18	Dacca, Jan. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. *Boro* paddy is being planted. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Some winter rain would be seasonable. Fodder reported to be insufficient in a few places.
Dacca Div. 19	Furreedpur „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Crops doing well everywhere
Dacca Div. 20	Backergunge „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
Dacca Div. 21	Mymensingh „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold. State and prospects of crops continue good
Chittagong Div. 22	Chittagong Jan. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Winter crops promise well. Prices steady.
Chittagong Div. 23	Noakholly „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *amun* nearly finished. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
Chittagong Div. 24	Tipperah „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and cold. Harvesting of *amun* paddy and sowing of *boro* paddy finished. Outturn of *amun* generally good. Prospects of *rubbi* crops excellent. A little rain seems necessary. Cutting of sugarcane still in progress.
Chittagong Div. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—colder than ever from about 10 P.M. to 10 A.M. Heavy morning fogs continue. Bright and sunshiny during daytime. Mustard and other cold-weather crops doing well. Pressing of sugarcane has commenced.
	Hill Tipperah „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Mustard, chillies and sugarcane doing well. *Joom* cotton gathered; a full harvest obtained.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Divn.			
26	Patna Jan. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold and pleasant. Threshing of paddy approaching completion. Poppy plants doing well. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair; but rain wanted. Prices now stationary.
27	Gya ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy nearly finished. It is being threshed. *Rubbi* crops in tolerably good condition. Poppy progressing on.
28	Shahabad ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold and occasionally cloudy. State of *rubbi* crops continue satisfactory, but rain badly wanted. Prospects of poppy very good.
29	Durbhunga ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy; very cold. *Rubbi* crops continue promising, but want rain. Wheat, barley and *rahar* in ear. Poppy is doing well. Tobacco is being harvested. Prices stationary.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy fair; but rain wanted for both.
31	Sarun ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy for last few days, but no rain. Prospects of all crops good.
32	Chumparun ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Threshing of *aghani* nearly completed. Poppy flowering in places. Prospects of *rubbi* crops look favourable. A shower of rain would do good both to *rubbi* and poppy.
Bhagulpore Divn.			
33	Monghyr Jan. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold with westerly wind generally. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy crops continue promising.
34	Bhagulpur ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable with strong west wind. Winter rice has been all reaped. *Rubbi* crops promise well. Rain wanted.
35	Purneah ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Winter crops doing well.
36	Maldah ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Harvesting of winter rice nearly completed with good outturn. Prospects of spring crops good except in the far north-west, where insects have done some damage. *Kalai* and mustard are still being reaped with good outturn Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergha. ,, 21, 88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of winter crops continue good, though rain is wanted in the Rajmehal sub-division. Pulses are being reaped in parts of the district.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn.			
38	Cuttack Jan. 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and fair. Reaping of *sarad* rice nearly completed. Prospect of *dalua* rice good. Wheat and cotton doing well. Price of common rice varies from 19½ to 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree ,, 19, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of late *sarad* crop nearly finished. *Dalua* crop doing well. Common rice 24 seers 3 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 25 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore ,, 20, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair. Harvesting of *sarad* paddy nearly completed. *Rubbi* crops are being gathered. Sugarcane is being pressed. Prospects of *dalua* rice and other crops good.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn.			
41	Hazaribagh. Jan. 20, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold. Prospects of *rubbi* crops remain unaltered. More rain wanted for these crops. Poppy is thriving and has commenced to flower; prospects fair. Sugarcane is being cut and pressed; outturn expected to be about 14 annas. Cattle-disease has abated.
42	Lohardugga ,, 21, '88	N	Weather—very cold. Late rain has done much good to *rubbi* crops. No change in prices.
43	Singbhoom ,, 20, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold. *Rubbi* not doing well for want of rain. Sugarcane, oilseeds and *rahar* being reaped; a 10 to 12-anna outturn expected.
44	Manbhoom ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather fair and cold. Prospects of cold-weather crops fair. Mustard is being reaped; outturn below the average. New *goor* 8 to 10 seers per rupee. Rice 20 to 24 seers per rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 28th January 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Jan. 28, '88	0·4	Weather—cloudy and cold. Prospects of crops fair. Prices stationary except at Ausgram, where they have risen
	Culna ...	0.06	
	Ranegunge ...	0 08	
2	Bankoora „ 28, '88	1·16	Weather—cold and cloudy. Rain has been beneficial to the *rubbi* crops which promise a fair outturn, and has also enabled the cultivators to plough the fields for paddy. Prices continue stationary.
	Bishenpur ...	·162	
3	Beerbhoom „ 28, '88	0 39	Weather—cold and cloudy with drizzling rain. Prospects of *rubbi* good. Sugarcane pressing commenced. Price of grains stationary; that of salt increased.
	Rampur Hat ...	0·29	
4	Midnapur „ 28, '88	.....	Weather—cold; some heavy showers. *Rubbi* and *boro* doing well and should generally benefit by the rain.
5	Hooghly „ 28, '88	1 03	Weather—cloudy and at times rainy. Rain will benefit most of the crops on the ground, but damage some. Prospects generally good.
	Serampur ...	0·20	
	Jehanabad ...	0·06	
	Howrah „ 28, '88	0·97	Weather—clear and cold. *Amun* crop nearly all harvested.
	Oolooberya ...	1·52	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Jan 31, '88	1 36	Weather—cloudy and rainy during the first part of the week; now clear and unusually cold. Harvesting of *amun* nearly complete. *Rubbi* crops prospering. Cutting and pressing of sugarcane still going on.
7	Nuddea „ 28, '88	0·61	Weather—seasonable, but cloudy and rainy at times. Prospects of winter crop favourable. Rain wanted in the Chuadanga sub-division. Cutting of sugarcane going on.
	Ranaghat ...	0·07	
8	Khoolna „ 28, '88	0·79	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amuns* till continues. Winter crops doing well.
9	Jessore „ 28, '88	1·42	Weather—cool and cloudy. *Amun* harvesting nearly over. Several showers during the latter end of the week have done much good to the winter crops.
	Jhenidah ...	0·06	
	Bongong ...	0·22	
10	Moorshedabad „ 28, '88	0·28	Weather—cloudy and drizzling rain at intervals. Outturn of *amun* good. *Rubbi* crops promising.
	Kandhee ...	0·57	
	Jungipur „ ...	0·.0	
Rajshahye Divs. 11	Dinagepur Jan. 28, '88	0·10	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of winter rice not yet finished. Mustard and tobacco doing well. Rice selling at from 20 to 24 seers per rupee.
12	Rajshahye „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—generally cloudy with foggy mornings. Harvesting of *amun* nearly finished. *Rubbi* crops good Prospects of ganja good.
13	Rungpur „ 28, '88	0 07	Weather—sky cloudy. Rain is wanted. Mustard is being gathered, and land prepared for jute and *aus*. Prospects of crops good.
14	Bogra „ 28, '88	0·07	Weather—cold and cloudy. *Amun* is being harvested. Pressing of sugarcane proceeding. Gathering of mustard nearly over. Prospects of cold-weather crops good. Price of rice stationary.
15	Pubna „ 28, '88	0·18	Weather—cloudy with slight rain. Prospects of crops good.
16	Darjeeling „ 28, '88	0·3	Occasional fall of snow, sleet and rain State and prospects of crops good.
17	Julpigoree „ 28, '88	0·64	Weather—very cold; cloudy for the last four days with rain on 26th and 27th. Harvesting of winter rice nearly over. Standing crops doing fairly well. Land is being prepared for *aus*. Common rice 20 seers per rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Jan. 28, '88	0·95	Weather—very cold and cloudy. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Mustard and *kalai* are being harvested. Pressing of sugarcane going on. Ploughing for *aus* paddy commenced. *Boro* paddy being planted. Fodder reported to be insufficient in a few places.
19	Furreedpur „ 28, '88	0·36	Weather—cloudy and rainy for the last three days; cool. Cold-weather crops doing well everywhere. Prices moderate.
	Goalundo ..	0·40	
20	Backergunge „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and cold. State and prospects of all crops satisfactory.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Jan. 31, '88	2·36	Weather—variable. Tea and winter crops benefited by rain. Prices stationary.
23	Noakholly „ 27, '88	0·03	Weather—a little warm in the early part of the week; latterly cloudy with some rain. *Rubbi* crops doing well. *Amun* harvested.
24	Tipperah „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and cold. Harvesting of sugarcane still progressing and that of *rubbi* crops only commenced; good outturn expected. Standing crops doing well, but a shower of rain wanted.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold from about 10 P.M. to 10 A.M. Heavy morning fogs continued up to 22nd. Cloudy in the morning during last two days of the week. Bright and sunshiny during the day throughout the week. A little rain last night (23rd) Harvesting of mustard has begun very generally. Other cold-weather crops doing well Pressing of sugarcane continues.
	Hill Tipperah „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold; sky cloudy at times. Prospects of sugarcane and mustard good. No other important crop in the field.

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BEHAR.				
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna	Jan. 28, '88	0·80	Weather—cloudy and very cold. Threshing of paddy nearly completed. Rain has done much good to the *rubbi* crops. Prospects of poppy fair. Prices stationary.
27	Gya	,, 27, '88	1·64	Weather—cool and cloudy. Threshing of paddy nearly finished. Rain has benefited both *rubbi* and poppy, but poppy has slightly been injured by hail in the Nawada sub-division. Opium is being extracted.
28	Shahabad	,, 28, '88	0·99	Weather—cloudy and rainy almost the whole week, latterly cool and clear. Rain has done much good to the *rubbi* crops; prospects are hopeful. Weather is not favourable for poppy. The crop has been doing excellently, but if the weather continues in this state some injury is apprehended.
	Buxar	...	0 95	
	Sasseram	...	1·00	
	Bhabuah	...	1 10	
29	Durbhunga	,, 28, '88	0·60	Weather—very cold and cloudy. *Rubbi* crops continue favourable. Rain has much benefited them. Lands are being prepared for indigo. Poppy in flower. Price of rice stationary.
30	Mozufferpur	,, 28, '88	0·74	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Early *rubbi* in ear. Rain beneficial to poppy, indigo and late *rubbi* sowings, but injurious to tobacco.
	Hajipur	...	0·29	
31	Saran	,, 28, '88	1·20	Weather—cloudy throughout the week. Prospects of *rubbi* continue good. Poppy in some places is reported to have been attacked by blight. Lands are being prepared for indigo.
	Sewan	...	0 22	
	Gopalgunge	...	0 57	
32	Chumparun	,, 28, '88	0·35	Weather—cool and cloudy. Rain has been beneficial to *rubbi* crops to some extent. Poppy plants flowering. Prices slightly rising.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr	Jan. 28, '88	0·54	Weather—very cold and cloudy throughout the week. Rain has been generally beneficial to the standing crops; but some damage to pulses in flower is apprehended if the weather does not clear up soon.
	Begusarai	...	0·72	
	Jamui	...	0·87	
34	Bhagulpur	,, 28, '88	0·31	Weather—very cold; occasionally cloudy; strong west wind prevails. The standing crops are doing well, and the rain has benefited them. Sugarcane is being pressed. *Tori* (mustard) being reaped. The rain has probably been general throughout the district.
35	Purneah	,, 28, '88	0·16	Weather—cloudy and cold. Tobacco and mustard are being cut and turning out fairly.
	Kishengunge	...	0·08	
36	Arrareah	...	0·14	Weather—changeable; generally cold, cloudy and foggy, with occasional and very insufficient showers. The harvest of winter rice is over with good outturn. *Kalai* and mustard are still being reaped. The *rubbi* crops are doing well, except in thanah Kharba, where insects have done harm. Transplantation of *boro* paddy has begun. Common rice selling at an average of 21½ seers per rupee.
	Maldan	,, 28, '88	0·02	
	Chanchal	...	0·07	
	Shibgunge	...	0·4	
37	Sonthal Perghs.	,, 28, 88	0·43	Weather—cloudy and damp with slight showers. Prospects of crops unchanged; rain not sufficient to cause much improvement.
	Deoghur	...	0·32	
	Rajmahal	...	0·09	
ORISSA.				
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack	Jan. 27, '88	0·42	Weather—cloudy and cool. Reaping of *sarad* rice still continues in some places. *Dalua* rice doing well. Common rice sells at 19½ to 21½ seers per rupee in town. Rain injurious to mango trees, which are in blossom.
39	Pooree	,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of *sarad* (winter rice) continues. *Dalua* crops are doing well. Common rice 24 seers 3 chittacks per rupee in the Sadder sub-division and 25 seers 11 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore	,, 27, '88	0·19	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of paddy completed. Threshing goes on. *Rubbi* crops are being gathered.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
South-West Frontier Agency.				
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh	Jan. 27, '88	1·10	Weather—cloudy and cold. Rain on the 23rd and 26th. The hail which accompanied the rain of the 26th will cause slight damage to the mustard and wheat in ear, while the rain will improve prospects generally. Sugarcane continues to be pressed. Cattle-disease still prevails.
42	Lohardugga	,, 28, '88	0·59	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Prospects of *rubbi* fair. Prices steady.
	Palamow	...	0·67	
43	Singbhoom	,, 27, '88	0 92	Weather—rainy and cold. Rain has fallen all over the district. It will improve the prospects of the *rubbi* crops still on the ground, such as gram and pulses, and will also allow the ploughing and preparation of the ground for the next sowings.
44	Manbhoom	,, 28, '88	1·1	Weather—cold, cloudy and rainy for the most part of the week. Sugarcane is being cut and *goor* manufactured. Prospects of cold-weather crops improved by rain. Mustard indifferent. Rice selling at from 16 seers per rupee at Jhalda and Jeypore to 24 seers per rupee at Ichhagor. Cattle-pox in Gourangdihi thana.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 4th February 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Feb. 4, '88	0·95	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair and prices keep moderate.
	Culna ...	1·75	
	Ranegunge ...	0 15	
2	Bankoora „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops coming on well. Pressing of sugarcane has commenced in places. Prices continue stationary.
3	Beerbhoom „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* doing well. Cutting of sugarcane has begun in places.
	Rampur Hat ...	0·19	
4	Midnapur „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—becoming warm suddenly. A good paddy crop has been generally harvested. *Boro* cultivation going on.
5	Hooghly „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Crop prospects continue good, but some pulses slightly damaged by late rain. Sugarcane pressing proceeding.
	Serampur ...	0·83	
	Jehanabad ...	1·28	
	Howrah „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Harvesting of *amun* almost over. *Boro* paddy is being transplanted in the Oolooberiah sub-division.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Feb. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, cool and bright. Harvesting of *amun* crop practically over. Cutting of sugarcane continues. All other standing crops promise well.
7	Nuddea „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold for three or four days. Recent rain has bettered the crops.
	Kooshtea ...	0·40	More rain would be beneficial. On the whole the prospects are very fair.
	Chooadanga ...	0·28	
	Ranaghat ...	1·08	
8	Khoolna „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—cold during early part of week; latterly warm. Harvesting of *amun* and transplanting of *boro* rice almost completed. Prospects of winter crops good.
9	Jessore „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—continued cold until a couple of days ago. Harvesting of *amun* paddy nearly over. Recent rain has benefited the standing winter crop.
	Jhenidah ...	0·55	
	Magoorah ...	0·72	
	Narail ...	1·1	
	Bongong ...	1·15	
10	Moorshedabad „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; somewhat warm. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Harvesting of *amun* completed.
	Jungipur ...	0·2	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Feb. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—rather cold, but sunny. Harvesting of winter rice almost finished. Mustard in ear and in many places almost ripe. Sugarcane being pressed. Tobacco doing well. Rice selling at from 20 to 24 seers per rupee.
12	Rajshahye „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of spring crops fair, but rain wanted. Prospects of *ganja* good.
13	Rungpur „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Cold-weather crops doing well. Prices rising somewhat.
	Kurigram ...	0·16	
14	Bogra „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* almost over. Pressing of sugarcane going on. Gathering of mustard nearly over. Prospects of cold-weather crops good. Price of rice stationary.
	Sherpur ...	0·05	
15	Pubna „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cool. Prospects of crops good.
	Serajgunge ...	0·27	
16	Darjeeling „ 4, '88	0·10	Heavy fall of snow up to lower ranges (10,000 to 12,000 feet), misty and raw. State and prospects of crops good.
17	Julpigoree „ 4, '88	0·21	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice is still going on in parts of the district. Mustard is being harvested. Tobacco, wheat and other cold-weather crops doing well.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Feb. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—first part of week cloudy; latter part fair and cold. Pulses and mustard are being gathered. Recent rain has done much good to standing crops. Planting of *boro* paddy nearly completed. Ploughing for *aus* paddy and jute going on.
	Munshigunge ...	0·61	
	Naraingunge ...	0·51	
19	Furreedpur „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of winter crops good. Rain much wanted in Goalundo.
	Madaripur ...	1·00	
20	Backergunge „ 3, '88	2·72	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 3, '88	0·15	Weather—very cold. State and prospects of crops continue good.
	Kishoregunge ...	0·19	
	Netrokona ...	0·23	
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Feb. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops good. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 3, '88	1·95	Weather—rather heavy rain on the 27th January, which made the weather
	Feuny ...	1·45	cold; fair and pleasant since. State of *rubbi* crops good.
24	Tipperah „ 2, '88	0·80	Weather—rainy in the beginning of the week; now very cold and bright.
	Brahmanbariah ...	0·74	Rain has done immense good to the winter crops, and has helped in the
	Chandpur ...	1·75	preparation of the fields for *aus* and jute crops. In the north the harvesting of the *rubbi* crops is progressing favourably.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 3, '88	1·41	Copious rain. Weather cold. Harvesting of mustard almost finished. Rain has improved condition of all cold-weather crops. Pressing of sugarcane continues.
	Hill Tipperah „ 1, '88	1·40	Weather—cold. Tobacco and mustard promising. Sugarcane commenced to be cut. Prospects of winter crops bettered by the rain of the week.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Divn.			
26	Patna Feb. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—cool; cloudy at the latter part of the week. Prospects of spring crops good at present. Poppy in flower and promises well. Price of rice stationary.
	Dinapur ...	0·44	
	Barh ...	0·20	
27	Gya ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of paddy is nearly finished. *Rubbi* progressing tolerably well. Opium being extracted in Daoodnaggar.
28	Shahabad ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; latterly occasionally cloudy. State of *rubbi* crops satisfactory; recent rain has improved prospects considerably. Poppy coming on well, and prospects favourable; some injury from blight was apprehended owing to cloudy weather, which, however, has fortunately passed away without any harm.
	Buxar ...	0·03	
29	Durbhunga ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—very cold. *Rubbi* and poppy crops continue favourable. Lands are being prepared for indigo. Tobacco is doing well. Price of rice averages 21 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—mostly cold and clear, but occasionally overcast and warm. Prospects of crops fair. Poppy in bud and flower.
31	Saran ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—fair; occasionally cloudy. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue good. Poppy is reported to have been benefited by the late rainfall followed by westerly wind.
	Gopalgunge ...	0·12	
32	Chumparun ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and dry. West wind prevailing. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue favourable; they have been much benefited by the rain of the past week.
Bhagulpore Divn.			
33	Monghyr Feb. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and clear. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy crops continue favourable.
	Beguserai ...	0·10	
	Jamui ...	0·7	
34	Bhagulpur ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—at first very cold with strong west wind; warmer during the last two days. Prospects of standing crops good, but rain has somewhat damaged *rahar*, linseed and gram which are in flower. Mustard has resulted in an outturn of 8 to 10 annas.
	Madehpura ...	0·42	
	Sopool ...	0·29	
	Banka ...	0·08	
35	Purneah ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and warmer. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Rain wanted in some parts.
	Kishengunge ...	0·10	
36	Arrareah ...	0·16	
	Malnat ,, 4 '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and fine. Harvesting of mustard and *kalai* going on. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Transplantation of *boro* paddy going on. Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	0·06	
37	Sonthal Pergha. ,, 4, 88	Nil	Temperature has gradually risen during the week. State of winter crops fair More rain wanted in the Rajmehal sub-division.
	Deoghur ...	0·12	
	Godda ...	0·18	
	Pakour ...	0 12	
	Rajmahal ...	0 09	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn.			
38	Cuttack Feb. 3, '88	0·42	Weather—fair; mornings foggy. Reaping of *sarad* completed with fair outturn. Prices of food-grains slightly lower. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee in town.
	Pooree ,, 2, '88	1·19	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* (spring crop) is doing well. *Rubbi* is being gathered. Common rice 24 seers 13 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 24 seers 1 chittack in the Khorda sub-division.
39	Khorda ...	0·67	
40	Balasore ,, 3, '88	1·06	Weather—fair and cool. Threshing of paddy and gathering of *rubbi* going on. Pressing of sugarcane continues. *Dalua* rice doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn.			
41	Hazaribagh. Feb. 3. '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Recent rain has improved prospects of *rubbi* crops; probable outturn from four to eight annas. Sugarcane is a full crop. Poppy doing well everywhere. Cases of cattle-disease continue to be reported.
42	Lohardugga ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—clear. Prospects of *rubbi* continue good. Prices as before.
43	Singhboom ,, 3, '88	0 68	Weather—bright and seasonable. Cotton doing well, also the *rubbi* crops on the ground, the late rain having benefited them. Reaping of sugarcane almost completed with good outturn.
44	Manbhoom ,, 4, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer, but still cool and pleasant. Sugarcane being cut with excellent outturn. Prospects of *rahar* and *kalai* good.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Feb. 11, '88	0·52	Weather—cloudy and cold. Prospects of winter crops good. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 11, '88	0·88	Weather—cold since rainfall. Harvesting of mustard and pulses has commenced. Rain has been very beneficial to wheat, barley, gram, and cotton. No appreciable change in the rice market.
	Bishenpur ...	1·06	
Burdwan Divn. 3	Beerbhoom „ 11, '88	0·55	Weather—cooler. *Rubbi* has been benefited by rain. Sugarcane is being cut and pressed.
	Rampur Hat ...	0·34	
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 11, '88	1·56	Weather—cloudy and hot at the beginning of the week; cold after the rain. *Boro* cultivation going on. Prospects of winter crops good.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hooghly „ 11, '88	1·13	Weather—cloudy and wet. Ploughing of rice lands now going on. *Rubbi* harvest progresses with good outturn, especially of sugarcane.
	Howrah „ 13, '88	1·44	Weather—clear and cold during the first part of the week, cloudy and rainy during the latter part. Harvesting of *amun* over. Cutting of sugarcane continues. Prospects of winter crops satisfactory.
	Ooloobaria ...	0·35	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergha. Feb 14, '88	1·68	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Harvesting of *amun* nearly over. Prospects of winter crops satisfactory. Ploughing continues. Manufacture of sugar still going on.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 11, '88	0·65	Weather—cloudy, but seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
	Meherpur ...	0·70	
	Chooadanga ...	0·25	
	Ranaghat ..	0·24	
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 11, '88	0·75	Weather - cool on account of rainfall. Harvesting of *amun* and transplantation of *boro* rice almost completed. Prospects of winter crop good.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 11, '88	1·11	Weather—cloudy with showers of rain in the latter part of the week. Harvesting of *amun* crop is over. Winter crops doing well.
	Bongong ..	0·12	
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 11, '88	0·57	Weather—cloudy. *Rubbi* crops promising. Rain has benefited all crops on the ground.
	Lalbagh ...	0·55	
	Kandi ...	0·58	
	Jungipur ...	0·18	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Feb. 11, '88	Nil	Weather- warm during early part of week, latterly cold. Harvesting of winter rice almost over. Prospects of standing crops good. Price of rice remains stationary.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 11, '88	0·55	Weather—somewhat cloudy for the last three or four days. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Harvesting of *ganja* going on with good prospect More rain is wanted for standing crops.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 11, '88	0·09	Weather—unsettled and very cold. Hardly any crops on the ground except tobacco, which is doing well.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 11, '88	0·50	Weather—seasonable. Slight rain on the 9th and 10th. Cold-weather crops promise well. Price of rice stationary.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 11, '88	0·81	Weather—rainy during the latter part of the week. Prospects of crops continue good
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 11, '88	0·81	Passing showers Six inches of snow fell in the station in one day. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 11, '88	0·15	Weather—mornings foggy in the beginning of the week; latterly cloudy. Harvesting of winter rice over; outturn ten to twelve annas. Prospects of cold-weather crops continue good. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Feb. 11, '88	0·61	Weather—cloudy and cold. Ploughing and sowing of *aus* paddy and jute continue. Winter crops doing well; outturn expected to be good.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 11, '88	0·69	Weather—cloudy. Rain on the 10th. Prospects of standing crops fair. Land is being ploughed.
	Goalundo ...	0·45	
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops continues good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 10, '88	Slight rain.	Weather—cloudy and cool. State and prospects of all crops satisfactory.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Feb. 14, '88	0·29	Weather—variable. Prospects of crops good. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; latter end of the week cloudy and warm. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable and occasionally cloudy. Lands are being prepared for *aus* and jute crops. In places harvesting of *rubbi* crops is going on. Prospects excellent.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold in the morning and hot at daytime. Harvesting of mustard is almost finished. Condition of all existing cold-weather crops is generally good. Pressing of sugarcane continues.
	Hill Tipperah „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Sugarcane is still being cut. Tobacco and mustard doing well.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna — Feb. 11, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and cloudy. Prospects of spring crops continue favourable. Poppy in flower and promises well. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya — „ 11, '88	Drizzling rain.	Weather—cold. Threshing of paddy almost finished. *Rubbi* progressing tolerably well. Opium is being extracted.
28	Shahabad — „ 11, '88	0·01	Weather—cloudy and exceedingly cool. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue hopeful, though some apprehension is entertained on account of cloudy weather. In places harvesting has commenced. State of the poppy crop is excellent in spite of unfavourable weather; the collection of opium has begun and the outturn is reported to be good.
29	Durbhunga — „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy. *Rubbi* prospects continue very favourable. Mustard and tobacco are being harvested. Lands are being prepared for indigo. Prices stationary.
30	Mozufferpur — „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—mostly overcast and cold with strong westerly wind; now clear and seasonable. Prospects of crops, including poppy, fair; but cloudy weather was unfavourable to *rubbi* crops generally and strong west winds to poppy.
31	[illegible] — „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy with occasional sunshine. Prospect of all crops continues good.
32	Chumparun — „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—overcast and foggy in the first part of week; latterly cool and clear. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue favourable. *Arhar* doing well.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	[illegible] — Feb. 11, '88	0·05	Weather—seasonable; cold and cloudy, at the latter part of the week. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue good. Poppy in flower and promises well.
34	[illegible] — „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy with west wind. Standing crops doing well. Wheat and barley would be benefited by a shower of rain.
35	Purneah — „ 11, '88	0·06	Weather—cloudy and cold. Outturn of winter crops reported to be good and not good from different parts.
36	Maldah — „ 11, '88	0·19	Weather—cold and cloudy. Harvesting of *kalai* and mustard nearly completed with good outturn. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Transplantation of *boro* paddy continues. Common rice selling at an average of 24 seers per rupee.
	Shibgunge	0·08	
	Gajol	0·10	
37	Southal Perghs. — „ 11, 88	0·46	Temperature rising. Weather cloudy towards end of the week with slight showers. Rain beneficial. Prospects of winter crops fair. In Rajmohal a 12-anna crop is expected. Sugarcane is being planted out in Godda. In west of the district there are very few crops on the ground.
	Pakour	0·15	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack — Feb. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. Reaping of *sarad* completed with fair outturn. *Dalua* rice is growing well. Common rice sells at 20½ seers per rupee in town. Last night's rain (not shown in this return) has facilitated ploughing.
39	Pooree — „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* (spring crop) is doing well. Common rice 24 seers 13 chittacks in the Sudder sub-division, and 23 seers 15 chittacks in the Khorda sub-division.
40	Balasore — „ 10, '88	1·32	Weather—cloudy and getting a little warm. Threshing of paddy continues. *Rubbi* is still being gathered. Prospects of other spring crops favourable. They will be benefited by the recent rainfall.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	[illegible] — Feb. 10, '88	0·44	Weather—cloudy and cold. Rain on the 9th. Cloudy weather is not favourable to wheat, which is approaching maturity, and to mango which is about to be in blossom. *Rubbi* is expected to yield between 6 annas and 8 annas. Rain has done good to sugarcane on the ground. Poppy doing well. Cattle-disease continues to be reported.
42	Lohardugga — „ 11, '88	0·71	Weather—cloudy and cold. More rain expected which is likely to do damage to the standing *rubbi* crops. Land is being ploughed. Market steady.
43	Singboom — „ 10, '88	1·48	Heavy rain fell yesterday (9th February). Weather bright and clear to-day. Rain has fallen all over the district. Cotton is doing well. Outturn of gram expected to be from 6 to 8 annas, and of *til*, mustard, and linseed from 6 to 12 annas. Cattle-disease reported from thanas Baharagora and Khursowah.
44	Manbhoom — „ 11, '88	1·19	Weather—cloudy, damp and cold. Rain has facilitated ploughing for next season. Outturn of sugarcane is good; will probably be a bumper. Rice selling at from 16 to 24 seers per rupee.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week endingathe 11th Februa.y 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 18th February 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Feb. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. *Rubbi* fair. Rice sold at 21 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	1·05	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Raneegunge ...	0·41	
2	Bankoora „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Mustard, pulses and sugarcane are being gathered. Wheat, barley and cotton are thriving. Prices continue stationary.
3	Beerbhoom „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good. Price of rice slightly higher.
4	Midnapur „ 18, '88	2·87	Weather—seasonable. Prospects good except in the west of district, where *rubbi* crops are very poor.
5	Hooghly „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—unsettled. Ploughing in full swing. Recent rain has benefited all standing crops except potatoes, and has on the whole done much good.
	Serampur ...	1·38	
	Jehanabad ...	1·05	
	Howrah „ 20, '88	Nil	Bright sun with cool mornings and evenings. *Boro dhan* has been sown in places. Cutting of sugarcane continues. *Rubbi* crops are being harvested. Prospects satisfactory.
	Colooberia ...	0·12	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Feb 21, '88	0·03	Weather—seasonable; getting warmer daily. Harvesting of *amun* rice over outturn satisfactory. Manufacture of sugar continues. Prospects of cold-weather crops favourable.
7	Nuddea „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, but foggy; cloudy and rainy at times. Wheat, gram and other *rubbi* crops generally doing well.
	Kushtea ...	0·78	
	Meherpur ...	0·17	
	Chooadanga ...	0·72	
8	Ranaghat ..	0 54	
	Khoolna „ 18, '88	0·80	Weather—first part of the week cloudy; latter part clear and seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* nearly finished and transplantation of *boro* over. Winter crops doing well.
9	Jessore „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. *Amun* harvesting over. Lands are being cultivated for early crops. Standing crops doing well.
	Jhenidah ...	0·88	
	Magurah ...	0·18	
	Narail ...	0·79	
	Bongong ...	1·24	
10	Moorshedabad „ 18, '88	0·49	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
	Jungipur ...	0·24	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Feb. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice over. Prospects of *rubbi* and other crops continue satisfactory. Price of rice remained stationary.
12	Rajshahye „ 18, '88	Nil	Days warm and nights cool. Rain has done much good to standing crops. Prospect of *ganja* good, but rain has done some injury to it
	Nattore ...	1·80	
	Nowgong ...	0·50	
13	Rungpur „ 18, '88	0·09	Weather—getting warm. Prospects of winter crops good.
	Gaibanda ...	0 20	
	Kurigram ...	0·05	
14	Bogra „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops continue satisfactory.
15	Pubna „ 18, '88	0·75	Weather—cloudy and cool. Rain has done good to the crops. Prospects good.
	Serajgunge ...	1·82	
16	Darjeeling ...	.....	Report not received.
17	Julpigoree Feb. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—cold with strong westerly wind. Standing crops doing well. Ploughing for *betri* paddy going on. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Feb. 18, '88	1·20	Weather—mostly cloudy and cold. Recent rain has done much good to the standing crops. Ploughing of land for early rice is being pushed on. Condition of agricultural stock good.
	Munshigunge ...	1·79	
	Naraingunge ...	2·18	
19	Furreedpur „ 18, '88	0·77	Weather—cloudy; a copious shower on 14th. Prospects of standing crops good Ploughing continues.
	Goalundo ...	0·72	
	Madaripur ...	0 28	
20	Backergunge „ 17, '88	0·34	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 17, '88	0·61	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops continue good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·35	
	Attia ...	1·28	
	Netrokona ...	0·64	
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Feb. 21, '88	0·40	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops fair. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 17, '88	0·36	Weather—unsteady; rather warm; cloudy at times. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
	Feni ..	0·34	Ploughing for *aus* has commenced.
24	Tipperah „ 16, '88	1·15	Weather—cloudy. Agricultural prospects have benefited much by rain. Standing crops doing well. Ploughing for *aus* paddy and jute progressing.
	Brahmanbariah ..	0·81	
	Chandpur .	1·20	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 14, '88	0·45	Weather—cloudy on the 12th and 13th. *Jum* cutting commenced. Tobacco, chillies and other crops on the ground doing well. Sugarcane is being pressed.
	Hill Tipperah „ 15, '88	1·05	Weather—cloudy. Sugarcane is still being cut. Prospects of tobacco and chillies fair.

No	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna Feb. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy in the first part of the week; latterly cool and clear. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue favourable. Collection of opium has begun in some places. *Arhar* doing well. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* is progressing tolerably well and is nearly ready. Opium is being extracted.
28	Shahabad ,, 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* continue good; harvesting of the crop has commenced in places. State of poppy is excellent. Opium is being collected in many places and yield is good.
29	Durbhunga ,, 18, '88	Nil	West wind prevailing. Prospects of *rubbi* continue favourable. Mustard and tobacco are being harvested. Poppy in blossom. Prices remain stationary.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—clear with strong west wind. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy favourable. Tobacco and mustard are being harvested.
31	Saran ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue good.
32	Chumparun ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cool; west wind prevails generally. *Rubbi* crop is generally in ear and doing well; it is, however, short in some parts of the district. Extraction of opium has commenced on a small scale; much of the crop is in blossom with fair prospects. Fields are being prepared for *aghani* sowing in the Bettiah sub-division.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr Feb. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cloudy at times. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue good, though cloudy weather has somewhat affected them generally. Collection of opium has begun in places.
	Jumui ...	0·9	
34	Bhagulpur ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy with west wind; getting warm during the day. Prospects of standing crops fair. Deficient rainfall is likely to affect the outturn of *rubbi*, of which a 10-anna harvest may be estimated.
35	Purneah ,, 18, '88	0·06	Weather—seasonable; westerly wind prevails. Tobacco and mustard crops have given a good outturn. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
36	Maldah ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—fine; occasionally cloudy. Gathering of *kalai* and mustard almost over. Prospects of other standing crops continue favourable. Planting of *boro* paddy going on. Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	0·16	
37	Sonthal Pergha. ,, 18, 88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue fair. Sugarcane is being pressed; outturn good. Prices of food-grains stationary.
	Godda ...	0·10	
	Jamtara ...	0·56	
	Rajmahal ...	0·07	
	Pakour ...	0·08	
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack Feb. 17, '88	0·62	Weather—fair. *Sarad* is being threshed. *Dalua* rice growing well. Price of common rice unchanged
39	Pooree ,, 16, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* crop doing well Prices stationary.
40	Balasore ,, 17, '88	2·90	Weather—cool and pleasant. Cold-weather crops being reaped, and lands cultivated for sugarcane and rice. Recent rain has probably been very beneficial.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh, Feb. 17, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy at times. Flowering of mango and *mohua* retarded by cloudy weather. Lancing of poppy in progress. Blight has appeared in places; no serious consequences apprehended. Ground being prepared for hot-weather crops. Prices stationary, but high.
42	Lohardugga ,, 18, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Prospect of *rubbi* continues favourable. Prices of food-grains easy.
	Palamow ...	0·38	
43	Singbhoom ,, 17, '88	0 27	Weather—bright and seasonable. Light rain fell during the week. Cotton and *rubbi* crops doing well. Ground is being ploughed for next sowings.
44	Manbhoom '...	.....	Report not received.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 25th February 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Feb 25, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudless and warm. Prospects of crops fair. Average outturn 10 annas. Rice sold at 21 seers per rupee.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Cutting and pressing of sugarcane are going on briskly. Mustard, gram and other pulses are being gathered. Wheat and barley are ripening. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Beerbhoom „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rabbi* crops good. Sugarcane pressing going on.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—warm, but seasonable. *Rabbi* crops good, save in extreme west.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hooghly „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *rabbi* continues with good outturn Ploughing going on. Mango-trees in full blossom.
	Howrah „ 25, '88	Nil	North wind. Weather cool. All prospects good.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Feb 28, '88	Nil	Weather bright; getting warmer daily. Prospects of cold-weather crops satisfactory. Ploughing in progress Pressing of sugarcane continues.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry and dry; nights cool. The reports are good for the whole district. Wheat is very fine.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—growing warmer; clear with north wind. Cold-weather crops doing well.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm in the daytime Ploughing of rice lands now going on. Prospects of winter crops satisfactory.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. State of *rabbi* crops good. They are being cut in some parts.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Feb. 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. The harvesting of winter rice finished Outturn estimated to be 12 annas. Prospects of *rabbi* and other crops good. Rice 20 to 26 seers per rupee.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Condition of spring crops generally good. *Ganja* manufacture continues. Ploughing for early rice and planting of sugarcane have commenced.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—hot days and cold nights. Prospects of *rabbi* crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and propects of crops continue satisfactory.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—nights still cool, days becoming warm. Growing crops good. Ploughing general.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Gathering of mustard in progress. Prospects of tobacco and *rabbi* good. Lands are being ploughed for early rice.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Feb. 25, '88	Nil	Weather—days getting hot; mornings and nights cool. Ploughing for early rice continues. *Rabbi* crops doing well. Prospects good. Condition of agricultural stock good.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm in the day. Crops on the ground doing well. *Rabbi* harvesting begun in some places.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops continues good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Feb. 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable Prospects of standing crops fair. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—variable—sometimes warm and sometimes cold. Mornings occasionally foggy. *Rabbi* crops are in progress in the field. Soil for *aus* crops is being ploughed and prepared.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. State and prospects of crops very satisfactory.
	Brahmanbaria ...	0·39	
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 21, '88	0·20	Weather—cloudy during the first part of the week. Tobacco and other crops progressing. *Jum* cutting continues.
	Hill Tipperah „ 22, '88	0·45	Weather—getting warm. Tobacco and sugarcane are being cut. *Boro* paddy is being transplanted. *Til* (oilseeds) is being sown.

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BEHAR				
Patna Divn.	26	Patna Feb. 25, '88	Nil	Weather—days getting warmer; nights still cool. Prospects of *rubbi* continue favourable. Mustard is being gathered in places. Poppy promises well; opium is being extracted in places. Prices stationary.
	27	Gya ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* progressing tolerably well and is nearly ready. Opium being extracted.
	28	Shahabad ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; a little hot in the day. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops is in progress and the prospects are hopeful. In places sugarcane is being planted. Weather continues favourable for poppy; the drug is being collected and the outturn is reported to be abundant.
	29	Durbhunga ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* continue favourable. Mustard and tobacco are being gathered. Extraction of opium has commenced in places. Prices remain stationary.
	30	Mozufferpur ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—mostly clear and getting warm. Prospects of *rubbi* crops favourable. Poppy doing well; collection of drug has commenced.
	31	Sarun ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot; westerly winds throughout the week. Prospect of *rubbi* continues good. Harvesting of peas commenced; outturn favourable. Opium is being collected.
	32	Chumparun .. 25. '88	Nil	Weather—fair with west wind. *Rubbi* crop doing well. Opium being collected. Prospects fair. Indigo sowings commenced.
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr Feb. 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; west wind prevailing. *Rubbi* is progressing fairly and the prospects continue good. Indigo sowings have commenced in the Begoosarai sub-division.
	34	Bhagulpur . 25, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm during the day; west wind prevailing. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair; a 10-anna harvest only expected.
	35	Purneah ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—warmer. *Rubbi* crops doing fairly well. Mustard nearly harvested
	36	Maldah . 25 '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* doing well except in outpost of Tulsihatta where the crop has suffered to some extent for want of rain. Transplantation of *boro* paddy continues. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
	37	Sonthal Pergha ,, 25. '88	Nil	Weather—temperature rising with strong westerly winds. Winter crops doing well. Outturn at Rajmehal estimated at 10 to 12 annas. Sugarcane in Godda now planted out. Mango trees are in blossom.
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack Feb 24, '88	0·02	Weather—fair and seasonable. *Da'ua* rice is being transplanted Ploughing has commenced. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee in town. Cattle-disease occurs in some places in the interior.
	39	Pooree ,, 23, '88	1·46	Weather—seasonable Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* crop thriving. Prospect of mango good. Common rice sells at 26 seers 5 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 24 seers 1 chittack in the Khorda sub-division.
	40	Balasore ,, 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Lands being tilled for rice cultivation; few crops on the ground.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
		South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn.	41	Hazaribagh. Feb. 24. '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy till 22nd; clear since. Prospects of *rubbi* unchanged. Wheat, barley, and gram approaching maturity. The average yield is expected to be 8 annas. Mango and *mohua* coming in blossom. Poppy being lanced and the drug collected. Cattle-disease continues to be reported from places.
	42	Lohardugga ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and clear. *Rubbi* doing well. Prices steady.
	43	Singbhoom. ,, 24, '88	Nil	Weather—sunny; getting warm. Cotton doing well. The oilseeds and gram are also reported well. Cattle-disease exists in thana Bahragora.
	44	Manbhoom. ,, 25 '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Sugarcane pressing in progress. Outturn excellent. Prospects of all spring crops good.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 3rd March 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan, Mar. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and warm. Prospects of crops fair. Rice sold at 21 seers per rupee.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Mustard and gram are being gathered. Pressing of sugarcane proceeds briskly. Wheat and barley are prospering. Cotton is in pod. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Beerbhoom „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good. Wheat in ear. Sugarcane harvest promises well.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot. *Rabbi* moderate in most parts except Binpur, where it is bad. Sugarcane, indigo and *boro* good.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hooghly „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—normal. State and prospects of crops good.
	Howrah „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Sugarcane is being cut, and *rabbi* crops reaped. Sugarcane is everywhere a 16-anna crop. The outturn of peas, linseed and mustard is good.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Mar. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—bright; getting warmer daily. Prospects of crops good. Ploughing in progress. Manufacture of sugar still continues.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Crops on the ground good; outturn of those harvested has been fair
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 3, '88	Nil	Days hot; nights and mornings cool. Cold weather crops doing well.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 3, '88	Nil	Nights and mornings still somewhat cold. Lands are being tilled for early crops. Mustard and *kalai* are being gathered. Prospects good.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. State of *rabbi* crops good. They are being cut.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Mar. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rabbi* and other crops continue satisfactory. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* crops. Rice selling at 20 to 26 seers per rupee.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot; nights cool. Harvesting of mustard nearly finished. Prospects of *boro* paddy and spring crops generally good.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 3. '88	Nil	Weather—days very hot. Prospects of winter crops continue good. Rain is urgently required.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops satisfactory.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and warmer. State and prospects of crops favourable.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—warm. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—days getting warmer; mornings and nights cool Ploughing for early rice continues. State and prospects of crops good
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Mar. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and getting hot. *Aus* paddy and jute are being sown. State of *rabbi* crops on the whole good.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—still fairly cool in the mornings and evenings. Prospects of crops good everywhere.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—now and then cloudy; otherwise seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Mar. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops fair. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—variable; warm during the day; cloudy occasionally. *Rabbi* crops doing well. Cultivation for *aus* crop in progress
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot; mornings and nights cool. Agricultural prospects are as good as can be desired.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. Feb. 28, '88	Nil	Weather—cold in the morning and hot at noon. Tobacco and other winter crops doing well. *Jum* cutting progressing.
	Hill Tipperah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Tobacco and sugarcane are still being cut. Sowing of *til* (oilseeds) and transplanting of *boro* paddy going on.

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BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVS. 26	Patna Mar. 3, '88	Nil	West winds no longer blowing; air sultry. Prospects of *rubbi* crops generally good. *Kesao* and *masur* in the Barh sub-division have been extensively damaged by insects. Mustard, *kesao* and *masur* are being harvested. Opium extraction is going on. There is a slight increase in the prices of food-grains.
27	Gya ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* is being harvested, and opium extracted.
28	Shahabad ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot, though mornings and evenings continue still pleasantly cool. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops in progress, and a fair outturn is expected. Fields are being prepared for sugarcane. Opium is being collected; the produce has not been so good as was expected owing to unfavourable weather.
29	Durbhunga ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. Harvesting of mustard and linseed is in progress. Opium is being collected. Mango is in blossom. Prices stationary.
30	Muzufferpur ,, 3, '88	Nil	Days bright and warm; nights and mornings cool. *Rubbi* crops approaching maturity. Mustard being harvested. Prospects of poppy fair; collection of opium in full force
31	Saran ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and getting warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* in progress; outturn favourable. Indigo sowings commenced. Poppy doing well; opium is being extracted.
32	Chumparun ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm and dry with west wind. Prospects of all standing crops good. Opium is being extracted. *Rubbi* crops ripening
BHAGULPORE DIVS. 33	Monghyr Mar. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; getting warm. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue favourable. Indigo sowings in progress in the Begusarai sub-division.
34	Bhagulpur ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot, but still cool at night. Prospects of standing crops fair. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and sugarcane. Peas, *khesari*, *masuri*, and *tisi* are being gathered.
35	Purneah ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and warm. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Tobacco is being cut.
36	Maldah ,, 3 '88	Nil	Weather—fine; getting warm. Prospects of spring crops good except in the outpost of Tulsihatta, where insects and want of rain have done some damage. Transplantation of *boro* paddy continues. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs. ,, 3, '88	Nil	Temperature rising with west winds; nights fairly cool. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. *Boro dhan* is being transplanted at Rajmahal.
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVS. 38	Cuttack Mar. 2, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; mornings foggy. Ploughing in progress. *Dalua* rice coming into ear. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee in town. Cattle-disease has occurred in some places in the interior.
39	Pooree ,, 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Lands are being ploughed. *Dalua* crop is in ear. *Rubbi* is being gathered. Mango trees are abundantly in fruit. Common rice 24 seers 8 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 23 seers 8 chittacks in the Khorda sub-division.
40	Balasore ,, 2, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *dalua* rice favourable. Land is being ploughed.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVS. 41	Hazaribagh, Mar. 2, '88	Nil	Weather—bright; getting warm. Estimate of average yield of *rubbi* eight annas. Collection of opium in progress; good outturn expected. Ploughing and planting of dry weather crops in progress. Condition of agricultural stock good, except in places where cattle-disease reported.
42	Lohardagga ,, 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. *Rubbi* is being harvested. Slight rise in prices of food-grains reported from Palamow.
43	Singbhoom ,, 2, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy; getting hot The reports of the *rubbi* crops are good. Sugarcane has yielded well. Cotton expected to give a good outturn.
44	Manbhoom ,, 3, '83	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Sugarcane pressing in progress; outturn excellent. Prospects of all spring crops fair.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 10th March 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divs. 1	Burdwan, Mar 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* harvest is turning out a very fair one Ploughings have been extensive and prospects are good. Common rice stands at about 20 seers per rupee on the average.
Burdwan Divs. 2	Bankoora „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot and nights cool. Pressing of sugarcane continues. Mustard, *arhar* and barley being gathered. Wheat ripe for cutting. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Divs. 3	Beerbhoom „ 10, '88	0·10	Weather—cooler since the rain of 9th. *Rubbi* harvest going on; outturn good.
Burdwan Divs. 4	Midnapur „ 10, '88	.....	Weather—warm, but seasonable. *Boro* crop progressing well; also *rubbi* in west and south of the district.
Burdwan Divs. 5	Hooghly „ 10, '88	0·20	Weather—normal. State and prospects of crops good.
	Howrah „ 12, '88	0·62	Strong south winds. Reaping of sugarcane continues.
	Oolooberiah ...	0·16	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divs. 6	24-Perghs. Mar. 13, '88	0 95	Weather—hot with heavy showers of rain. Prospects of crops satisfactory. Sugarcane is still being cut. Lands are being tilled for rice crop.
Presidency Divs. 7	Nuddea „ 10, '88	0·11	Great heat in daytime. Light rain on the 9th. All unharvested winter crops good; general outturn of those harvested good. Ploughing and sowing in good progress.
Presidency Divs. 8	Khoolna „ 10, '88	1·09	Weather—was getting warm until the 8th, when a thunder-storm cooled the air. Cold-weather crops, as also the mango crop, promise well. Transplanting of *boro* rice going on
Presidency Divs. 9	Jessore „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—days warm, nights still cool. Ploughing of rice lands in progress. Rain much wanted. Linseed, barley, *masuri* and *kalai* being gathered.
Presidency Divs. 10	Moorshedabad „ 10, '88	0·03	Weather—getting warmer. State of *rubbi* crops good. They are being cut and threshed.
	Lalbagh ...	0·06	
Rajshahye Divs. 11	Dinagepur Mar. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* and other crops satisfactory. Lands are being ploughed for *bhadoi* crops. Price of rice stationary.
Rajshahye Divs. 12	Rajshahye „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *boro* paddy and spring crops generally good.
Rajshahye Divs. 13	Rungpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with west wind until Thursday (8th), when it became cloudy and cool. Tobacco and pulses are being cut. *Aus* rice and jute are being sown. Rain is much wanted.
Rajshahye Divs. 14	Bogra „ 10, '88	0·16	Weather—very hot up to the 8th, when clouds and a high wind arose, and slight rain on the 9th. State and prospects of crops satisfactory.
Rajshahye Divs. 15	Pubna „ 10, '88	0·06	Slight rain on the 9th. Weather cooler. Prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divs. 16	Darjeeling „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy; rain expected. Rain wanted for spring crops. Prospects otherwise favourable.
Rajshahye Divs. 17	Julpigoree „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and warm in the early part of the week; latterly cloudy. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Tobacco is being cut. Pressing of sugarcane in progress.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Mar. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and getting hot. Ploughing for early rice and jute going on. Pulses are being harvested. Prospects continue good
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 10, '88	.....	A slight shower on the 9th. Weather slightly cooler. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops proceeding with good outturn. Lands are being ploughed for jute and early rice.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry. State and prospects of crops good.
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong Mar. 13, '88	0·95	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of winter crops good. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Divs. 23	Noakholly „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. *Rubbi* crops are doing well. Land is being prepared for *aus* crop.
Chittagong Divs. 24	Tipperah „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—gradually getting hot; nights and mornings cool. Harvesting of sugarcane and pulses nearly completed. Prospects of standing crops excellent.
Chittagong Divs. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and hot during the day Thick fog still continues in the mornings. Tobacco and other winter crops doing well. *Jum* cutting progressing.
	Hill Tipperah „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—unsettled. Cutting of sugarcane and tobacco nearly over. Sowing of *til* oilseeds and transplanting of *boro* paddy still going on. Chillies doing well.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna Mar. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and getting hot. Prospects of spring crops and opium continue favourable. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops and gathering of opium going on.
27	Gya „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* being harvested and opium extracted.
28	Shahabad „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops in progress. Weather continues favourable for poppy; the drug is being collected and the produce is reported to be very good.
29	Durbhunga „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm. *Rubbi* harvest has commenced. Opium is being collected. Mango trees are in blossom. Indigo sowing in progress. Price of common rice averages 21 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops commenced. Indigo seeds are being sown. Collection of opium is being pushed on; one-half the drug housed; produce adequate; weather favourable.
31	Saran „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—warmer than the preceding week. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops in full progress. Collection of opium is being made. Indigo sowings going on.
32	Chumparun „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fair; days warm; nights cool. East wind blowing. *Rubbi* crops ripening. Peas being collected. Extraction of opium progressing with fair outturn.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr Mar. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; getting warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops has commenced in places. Collection of opium going on. Indigo sowings in progress with the best prospects.
34	Bhagulpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—still pleasant. *Rubbi* harvest commencing with outturn below the average. Peas and *rahar* are best crops. Rain wanted for indigo cultivation.
35	Purneah „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Tobacco is being cut; a fair crop.
36	Maldah „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops doing well except in thana Rahia and outpost of Tulsihatta where some damage has been done for want of rain. Transplantation of *boro* paddy continues. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergha. „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm and rather cloudy. Sugarcane planting and indigo sowing going on.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack Mar. 9, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. *Dalua* rice is coming into ear. Prospects of *dalua* and mango good. *Dalua* is partially suffering from drought at Banki. Tobacco and wheat being reaped. Price of common rice unchanged.
39	Pooree „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* rice is ripening. *Rubbi* is being gathered. Common rice 24 seers 2 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 23 seers 8 chittacks in the Khorda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 9, '88	0·40	Weather—seasonable. Recent rain very favourable to cultivation. *Dalua* rice promises well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh. Mar. 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; getting hot. *Rubbi* has yielded about 8 annas. Sugarcane has been a full crop in most places. Collection of opium is approaching completion and the outturn has been good so far. Prices stationary. Cattle-disease in a few villages.
42	Lohardugga „ 10, '88	0·01	Weather—cloudy and warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* going on. Prospects of mango good. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm; cloudy during the last two days. *Rubbi* being harvested; expected outturn 12 annas. There is a rise in the prices of food-grains.
44	Manbhoom „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with clouds hanging about. Prospects of *mohua* and mango are good so far. Spring crops doing well.

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Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 17th March 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divs. 1	Burdwan Mar. 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good. There has been a general fall in the price of rice. Common rice is now at about 24 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	1·13	
	Cutwa ...	0·75	
	Raneegunge ...	0·11	
2	Bankoora „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; occasionally cloudy. Wheat, mustard and *matar* are being gathered. Pressing of sugarcane still continues. Cotton, *boro dhan* and indigo are thriving. Prices stationary.
3	Beerbhoom „ 17, '88	1·15	Weather—cool. *Rabbi* crop 10 annas.
4	Midnapur „ 17, '88	.....	Slight rain in some parts of the district. *Rabbi* fair and *boro* likely to be a good crop
5	Hooghly „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—normal. Prospects of crops favourable so far.
	Serampur ...	0·55	
	Jehanabad ...	0·37	
	Howrah „ 19, '88	0·57	Weather—seasonable. Sugarcane and *rabbi* crops are being cut. *Boro* crop is promising.
	Oolooberia ...	0·55	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divs. 6	24-Pergns. Mar. 20, '88	1·70	Weather—hot; storms with hail and rain; winds variable. The crops that are on the ground are doing well. Ploughing is in progress.
7	Nuddea „ 17, '88	0·61	Weather—fair. Harvesting of cold-weather crops nearly completed. Prospects of indigo in Sudder good.
	Kooshtea ...	3·73	
	Meherpur ...	2·78	
	Chooadunga ...	1·84	
8	Khoolna „ 17, '88	2·05	Several thunder-showers successively have cooled the air and moistened the ground. Prospects of *boro* rice and cold-weather crops good. Mango crop has suffered from wind and rain.
9	Jessore „ 17, '88	1·9	Weather—rainy and stormy for a part of the week. There was a hail-storm
	Jhenidah ...	3·01	in the Magura and Narail sub-divisions. In the Mohamedpore station the
	Magoorah ...	2·76	storm has done slight damage to houses and trees. The rainfall of the
	Narail ...	2·06	week was considerable. It will be of great avail to the sowing of paddy,
	Bongong ...	0·82	indigo and *til* The prospects of *boro* have also been bettered by it.
10	Moorshedabad „ 17, '88	1·17	Weather—getting warmer. Harvesting of *rabbi* crops has commenced.
	Kandi ...	0·25	
	Jungipur ...	0·1	
	Lalbagh ...	0·29	
Rajshahye Divs. 11	Dinagepur Mar. 17, '88	0·66	Weather—cloudy and cool in the early part of the week; latterly seasonable.
	Thakurgaon ...	0·14	Rain has done considerable good to the cultivation of *bhadoi*. Prospects of *rabbi* and other crops continue good. Price of rice stationary.
12	Rajshahye „ 17, '88	0·96	Weather—seasonable. Rain has done considerable good to standing crops and
	Nattore ...	1·40	has facilitated preparation of lands for early sowings.
13	Rungpur „ 17, '88	3·08	Weather—cool with storms and showers. Rain is very favourable for the
	Kurigram ...	3·02	sowings of *aus* and jute which are now in progress.
14	Bogra „ 17, '88	Nil	Mornings misty. Days cloudy and windy. Ploughing for *aus* and jute going
	Sherpur ...	0·51	on. Prospects continue favourable.
	Nowkhila ...	0·33	
15	Pubna „ 17, '88	2·06	Rain on three days. Storm and 1·65 inches of rain at Sudder on 13th.
	Serajgunge ...	1·40	Weather seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
16	Darjeeling „ 17, '88	0·91	Weather—stormy until the last two days: now fine, but not yet settled. Land
	Silliguri ...	2·85	is being ploughed for early rice in the Terai. Prospects of crops every-where favourable. Price of Indian-corn has increased considerably in the hills, owing to large demands made by the Commissariat Department for the Sikkim Field Force.
17	Julpigoree „ 17, '88	3·35	Heavy showers on the 11th and 13th. Weather cloudy. Ploughing of rice lands in progress. Prospects continue good.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca, Mar. 17, '88	5·32	Weather—cloudy and stormy throughout the week. Pulses and mustard are
	Manickgunge ...	2·06	being gathered. Ploughing of land for jute and early rice going on, but
	Munshigunge ...	4·76	temporarily stopped in places by excessive rain. Some damage done to the
	Naraingunge ...	6·09	standing crops; but on the whole prospects good.
19	Furreedpur „ 17, '88	5·80	Stormy weather with heavy rain on the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. Tempera-
	Goalundo ...	3·92	ture cooler. The rain has facilitated ploughing for jute and rice, but the
	Madaripur ...	1·56	cold-weather crops now being harvested have suffered.
20	Backergunge „ 16, '88	1·16	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 16, '88	1·99	Weather—cool. Rain all over the district. Prospects of crops good. Plough-
	Jamalpur ...	0·37	ing has commenced. The recent rain has done much good.
	Kishoregunge ...	1·53	
	Attia ...	0·55	
	Netrokona ...	4·09	
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong Mar. 20, '88	0·60	Weather—seasonable. Winter crops nearly harvested. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 16, '88	2·56	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Some of the *rabbi* crops are being harvested;
	Fenny ...	3·71	outturn good.
24	Tipperah „ 15, '88	2·67	Weather—rather wet. Rain has enabled preparation of lands. Standing
	Chandpur ...	4·50	crops give promise of good outturn.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 13, '88	1·66	Weather—variable; alternating between rain, cloud and storm. Rain has retarded *jum* cutting to some extent. Tobacco and other crops on the ground doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 15, '88	3·80	Weather—stormy. Prospects of *boro* paddy and chillies fair.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Dvn. 26	Patna Mar. 17, '88	Nil	Weather seasonable. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops proceeding. Gathering of opium going on. Prices of food-grains almost stationary.
27	Gya „ 17, '88	0·08	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* being harvested Opium extraction nearly finished in some places. Sugarcane being planted.
28	Shahabad „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot gradually; west wind prevails. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops is almost over. Opium collection is in progress with excellent outturn.
29	Durbhunga „ 17, '88	1·05	Weather—getting warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* in progress. Rain has done good to *moong* and paddy sowings. It has done some injury to mango blossoms and to indigo lately sown. Collection of opium nearly over. Price of common rice averages 21 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 17, '88	0·23	Weather—overcast and cloudy in the beginning of the week; a storm with slight rain on 12th, since which it has been clear and cool. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops progressing. Gathering of opium almost over.
	Hajipur ...	0·3e	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·40	
31	Sarun „ 17, '88	0·28	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* being harvested; outturn favourable. Collection of opium in full progress; weighment will shortly commence. Indigo sowings going on.
32	Champarun „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—warm; mornings cool. Harvesting of *rubbi* commenced. Extraction of opium in full operation. Indigo sowings begun. Prospects of all standing crops good.
Bhagulpore Dvn. 33	Monghyr Mar. 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; westerly wind prevailing. *Rubbi* harvest going on. Collection of opium nearly finished. Mango trees are abundantly in blossom.
34	Bhagulpur „ 17, '88	Nil	Too much east wind to be seasonable. Rain in the north will help preparation of lands, but that and the east wind have damaged mango blossoms. *Rubbi* harvest in progress; outturn poor.
	Madehpura ...	1·24	
	Sopool ...	0·83	
35	Purneah „ 17, '88	0·65	Weather—clear and cooler. Tobacco harvested. Wheat doing well.
	Kishengunge ...	0·65	
	Arrareah ...	1·50	
36	Maldah „ 17, '88	0·01	Weather—cloudy and foggy in the beginning of the week; but latterly warm with strong west wind. Reaping of *rubbi* crops has begun with good outturn, except in thana Ratua and outpost Tulsihatta, where some damage was done for want of rain. Slight showers of the week have done no material good to standing crops, but have caused much damage to mango blossoms. Transplantation of *boro* paddy still going on. Sowing of *bhadoi* paddy has begun. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	0·56	
	Shibgunge ...	0·3	
	Gazol ...	0·30	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—stormy with rain; west winds setting in. *Mohua* and mango crops look good, but slightly damaged by storms.
	Deoghur ...	0·58	
	Pakour ...	0·16	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Dvn. 38	Cuttack Mar. 16, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. Threshing of *sarad* rice going on in some places and completed in others. *Dalua* rice is flowering and partly ripening. Wheat is being gathered. Price of rice stationary. Cattle-disease has appeared in some places in the interior.
39	Pooree „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. *Rubbi* is being gathered. Mango crop suffering for want of rain. Common rice 23 seers 15 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 24 seers in the Khoorda sub-division
40	Balasore „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer with strong south wind. Few crops on the ground; such as there are promise well. *Dalua* rice in ear.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Dvn. 41	Hazaribagh, Mar. 16, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; rather cooler than last week. Sugarcane is being planted. Prospects of mango and *mohua* good so far. Poppy is still being collected; yield good. Condition of agricultural stock good.
42	Lohardugga „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot. *Rubbi* being harvested. Prices steady. Cattle-disease reported.
43	Singbhoom „ 16, '88	Nil	Slight rain during the week; weather getting very warm. *Rubbi* being harvested. Cotton doing well. Sugarcane being planted. Prices slightly higher than at this time last year.
44	Manbhoom „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—getting rapidly hotter with clouds and high winds. Prospects of spring crops good. *Mohua* is doing well, though it has been damaged slightly by wind in Govindpur.
	Govindpur ...	0·35	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects o· the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 24th March 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Mar 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good. Sugarcane outturn excellent. Common rice is now selling at 22 seers per rupee. There is severe cholera at Raneegunge affecting cooly emigrants. There have been over 150 fatal cases.
2	Bankoora „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. Pressing of sugarcane nearly finished; yield will be 14 annas in the Sudder sub-division. Wheat, barley and mustard are being reaped. Prices continue unaltered.
3	Beerbhoom „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—warm; west winds. Wheat is being harvested.
4	Midnapur „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; west wind. *Boro* crop doing well.
5	Hooghly „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—normal. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Serampur ...	0·03	
	Howrah „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Boro* crop promising.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Mar. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and bright. Morning fogs for part of the week. All standing crops flourish. Ploughing continues.
7	Nuddea „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; temperature rising. Wind westerly. Great activity in indigo sowing. Tillage for early rice in progress. Gram, wheat and barley good. Outturn of winter crops good.
8	Khoolna „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—considerably warmer. *Boro* rice promises well.
9	Jessore „ 24, '88	Nil	Hot weather has set in, and the heat is rather severe. The rainfall of the last week has facilitated the sowing of paddy and indigo. Prospects of *boro* good.
10	Moorshedabad „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. *Rubbi* crops are still being harvested.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Mar. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—rather hot. Sugarcane is being planted and jute sown. Prospects of *rubbi* good. Price of rice stationary.
12	Rajshahye „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot. Spring crops are being reaped. Lands are being prepared for early sowings.
13	Rungpur „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and warm. Sowing of *aus* and jute commenced. Tobacco is being cut. Prospects of wheat and tobacco good.
14	Bogra „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain would be useful for early sowings. Prospects continue good.
15	Pubna „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong wind. Prospects of crops good.
16	Darjeeling „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—still unsettled; only slight rain here and there. Ploughing continues in the Terai. Prospects of crops favourable.
17	Julpigoree „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; at times cloudy. Standing crops doing well. Ploughing for *aus* and jute continues. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca Mar. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and stormy. Pulses are being gathered; outturn good. Ploughing for rice and jute going on. Early rice plants doing well.
	Narsingunge ...	3·39	
19	Furreedpur „ 24, '88	Nil	No rain during the week. Weather dry and hot. Harvesting of cold-weather crops continues.
20	Backergunge „ 24, '88	0·20	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
	Jumalpur ...	0·19	
	Kishorgunge ...	0·88	
	Attia ...	0·76	
	Netrokona ...	Nil	
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Mar. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Outturn of winter crops fair. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 23, '88	0·29	Weather—seasonable. Some of the pulses are being harvested. Cultivation of *aus* progressing.
	Fenny ..	0·91	
24	Tipperah „ 22, '88	0·90	Weather—more moist than is usually experienced at the time of the year. Good crops are being harvested where they have arrived at maturity. Those that are not ripe yet are coming on very nicely. The lands are being prepared for fresh cultivation. Both state and prospects are excellent.
	Brahmanbariah ...	5·09	
	Chandpur ...	1·05	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 20, '88	0·81	Weather—rainy and stormy during the first four days of the week; hot and sultry since. *Jum* cutting has re-commenced after the rain. Tobacco and other crops doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 32, '88	2·22	Weather—warm. *Boro* paddy and chillies doing well.

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BEHAR				
Patna Divn. 26	Patna	Mar. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry with high west wind. *Rubbi* crops are still being harvested; fair outturn expected *Masoor* and peas extensively damaged by insects in the Barh sub-division. Sugarcane pressing and opium collection almost completed.
27	Gya	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *rubbi* and extraction of opium nearly finished. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west wind. Harvesting of *rubbi* nearly over; threshing has commenced. Collection of opium almost completed; prospects very good, better than for many years past both as to quantity and quality.
29	Durbhunga	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warm *Rubbi* harvest in progress. *Moong* and early rice are being sown Collection of opium still going on. Indigo has germinated in places. Price of common rice averages 21 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—warm; west wind. *Rubbi* harvest progressing; threshing commenced. Paddy *moong* and *china* are being sown; earlier sowings have already germinated.
31	Sarun	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot gradually. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops progressing. Gathering of opium almost over in many places. Indigo sowings going on. Prospects of all standing crops good.
32	Chumparun	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—dry with high west wind *Rubbi* crops are being reaped. Extraction of opium in full swing and approaching completion; produce good. Indigo sowings progressing.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr	Mar. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; strong north-westerly wind blowing at the time of report. *Rubbi* harvest in progress; outturn fair. Opium collection finished with good outturn.
34	Bhagulpur	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* harvest in progress. Rice and *moong* being sown in low lands in the north.
3	Purneah	„ 24, '88	Nil	Temperature rising; west wind prevails. In the Sudder sub-division wheat and oats are light crops, but in other sub-divisions they are good. Other cold-weather crops fair. Land is being prepared for *bhadoi* and jute.
3	Maldah Chanchal	„ 24 '88 ...	Nil 0·05	Weather—days warm, mornings and evenings cool. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops continues. *Boro* paddy is being transplanted. Common rice is selling at 22 seers per rupee at English Bazar.
37	Sonthal Perghs Deoghur	„ 24, '88 ...	Nil 0 05	Weather—hot with strong west wind. Harvesting of wheat, barley, and linseed still going on; outturn below the average. Prospects of *mohua* crop good. Prices stationary.
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack	Mar. 23, '88	2·13	Weather—fair. Threshing of *sarad* going on in some places and completed in others. *Dalua* is flowering and partly ripening, Price of rice stationary.
39	Pooree Khoorda	„ 22, '88 ...	Nil 0·04	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed for the ensuing *sarad* crop. *Rubbi* crop is being gathered. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Mango suffers for want of rain. Common rice 24 seers 4 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 23 seers 8 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore	„ 23, '88	0·50	Weather—days hot, but nights still cool. Rainfall beneficial to cultivation, but some damage to fruit and vegetables by hail in the Bhudruck sub-division.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
South-West Frontier Agency.				
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh.	Mar 23, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; very warm. Stormy winds. Prospects of mango and *mohua* continue good. Gathering of opium almost completed. Condition of agricultural stock fair.
42	Lohardugga	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops continues. Prospect of *mohua* good.
43	Singbhoom	„ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and getting very warm. *Rubbi* being harvested. Cotton coming into blossom. Sugarcane being planted. Mango and *mohua* promising.
44	Manbhoom	„ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west wind. Wheat, barley and oats are being harvested; outturn varies from 6 to 12 annas. *Mohua* is mostly doing well.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

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No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Div. 1	Burdwan Mar 31, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of all crops good. Sugarcane harvest excellent. Common rice stands at 28 seers per rupee on an average.
Burdwan Div. 2	Bankoora „ 31, '88	0·04	Weather—hot and occasionally cloudy. Pressing of sugarcane is finished. Wheat and barley are being reaped and mustard threshed. Transplanting of *boro* paddy going on. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Div. 3	Beerbhoom „ 31, '88	Nil	Cool nights. Weather seasonable. *Rabbi* harvest almost over; outturn good. Sugarcane excellent.
Burdwan Div. 4	Midnapur „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—slightly cooler *Boro* paddy in ear and doing well.
Burdwan Div. 5	Hooghly „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—normal. State and prospects of crops good so far.
	Howrah Apl. 2, '88	Nil	Strong southerly breeze. All prospects good.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Div. 6	24-Perghs. Apl 3, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and bright. Mornings and evenings cool. No crops on the ground except sugarcane, which promises well. Ploughing progresses. Prices stationary.
Presidency Div. 7	Nuddea Mar. 31, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and fair. Tillage for *aus* and indigo in progress.
	Kooshtea ...	0·13	
Presidency Div. 8	Khoolna „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—warm and clear, mostly with southerly breeze. *Boro* rice promises well. Ploughing going on.
Presidency Div. 9	Jessore „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—cooler than last week. Tillage for early rice in progress. Prospects of standing crops good.
Presidency Div. 10	Moorshedabad „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. *Rabbi* crops are still being harvested.
Rajshahye Div. 11	Dinagepur Mar. 31, '88	Nil	Weather—moderately hot. Lands are being ploughed for *bhadoi* crops.
Rajshahye Div. 12	Rajshahye „ 31, '88	Nil	Days hot, nights fairly cool. Rain with hail in Nowgong has benefited land
	Nowgong ...	0·48	under preparation, but has somewhat injured *til* and jute plants. Rain wanted elsewhere. Cutting of spring crops continues; outturn generally good.
Rajshahye Div. 13	Rungpur „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—warm and cloudy. *Aus* up and doing well. Jute is being sown.
	Gaibanda ...	0·11	Tobacco and wheat are being gathered with good outturn.
Rajshahye Div. 14	Bogra „ 31, '88	0·12	Weather—extremely hot up to 27th, since which slight rain has somewhat
	Sherpur ...	0·42	cooled the atmosphere. Prospects good. Ploughing for *aus* and jute going
	Nowkhilla	0·20	on.
Rajshahye Div. 15	Pubna „ 31, '88	0·07	Strong south-westerly winds. A destructive storm at Mothura on afternoon of
	Serajgunge ...	0·17	27th. Prospects of crops favourable.
Rajshahye Div. 16	Darjeeling „ 31, '88	0·06	Weather—cloudy: fairly warm: very little rain. Ploughing for *bhadoi* rice and jute continues. In the hills Indian-corn and potatoes are progressing favourably, but more rain is wanted elsewhere. Tea-plucking has begun.
Rajshahye Div. 17	Julpigoree „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—unsettled; east wind. Sowing of *bhadoi* has commenced in places. Prospects of crops good. Tobacco is said to have been injured by hail-stones.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca Mar. 31, '88	0·25	Weather—hot. *Rabbi* crops are being gathered. Ploughing for *aus* paddy and
	Munshigunge ...	0·6	jute continues, and sowing is being pushed on. *Boro* paddy doing well.
	Naraingunge ...	0·13	Prospects of crops continue favourable.
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; slight rain here and there. Ploughing continues. Cold-weather
	Madaripur ...	0·40	crops are being harvested.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry. Prospects of crops good.
	Netrokona ...	0·17	
Chittagong Div. 22	Chittagong Apl. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops fair. Prices stationary.
Chittagong Div. 23	Noakholly Mar. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rabbi* crops are being harvested. Betel and cocoanuts flowering. Cultivation of *aus* progressing and sowing begun in low lands.
Chittagong Div. 24	Tipperah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; rather cloudy. State and prospects of crops good. There was rain last week, but a little more would not come amiss. However, there is no room for complaint.
Chittagong Div. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—excessively hot; cloudy on the 25th. *Jum* cutting nearly finished. Tobacco and chillies doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—windy and occasionally cloudy. Prospects of standing crops continue to be fair.

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BEHAR.				
Patna Divn. 26	Patna	Mar. 31, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hot gradually. *Rubbi* crops are being reaped. Threshing has commenced. A good prospect of mango crop. Prices of food-grains almost stationary.
27	Gya	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of *rubbi* commenced. Extraction of opium finished. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and hot. Threshing of *rubbi* crops in progress. Opium collection almost over with excellent outturn.
29	Durbhunga	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—cold mornings and hot days. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops not yet over. Sowing of *moong* and early rice in progress. Collection of opium completed. Price of common rice averages 20 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; warm. *Rubbi* harvest nearly completed; threshing commenced. Opium weighment will shortly commence.
31	Sarun	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather seasonable. *Rubbi* is being harvested. Gathering of opium over. Prospects of all standing crops good.
32	Chumparun	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings foggy, days hot with variable winds. *Rubbi* harvesting still going on; average yield estimated. Extraction of opium finished; weighment commences from the 5th proximo. *Cheena* is coming on well.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr	Mar. 31, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops still going on; outturn fair. Mango crop promises well.
34	Bhagulpur	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* harvest yielding about 8-anna outturn. *Mohua* crop also poor. Rain wanted.
3	Purneah	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Wheat below the average. *Bhadoi* and jute cultivation beginning.
3	Maldah	„ 31. '88	A few drops.	Weather—days warm, but nights still fairly cool. Winds slight and variable. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops still going on; outturn generally good except in the north, where some damage has been due to want of rain. Most of the *boro* paddy has been transplanted, and the sowing of *bhadoi* paddy is going on. Rain is much wanted for these crops. Common rice is selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergha	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—dry with west winds. Sugarcane harvest going on. Rain wanted for indigo. *Mohua* crop is being gathered.
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack	Mar. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. *Dalua* paddy is flowering and partly ripening. Price of rice stationary.
39	Pooree	„ 29, '88	0·06	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed for the next *sarad* crop. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Common rice 24 seers 7 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 23 seers in the Khoorda sub division.
40	Balasore	„ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—getting gradually warmer. Land is being tilled for rice. *Til* and other crops promise well. Sugarcane is being planted.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
South-West Frontier Agency.				
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh,	Mar 30, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; warm. Sugarcane is being planted and doing well. Prospects of *mohua* and mango good so far. Gathering of opium completed. Condition of agricultural stock fair.
42	Lohardugga	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Harvesting of *rubbi* continues. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom	„ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and misty in the mornings, but very warm during the daytime. *Rubbi* harvest continues; a 12-anna outturn expected. Mango and *mohua* so far satisfactory. Cattle-disease on the increase.
44	Manbhoom	„ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—getting hotter every day. Spring crops doing fairly well. Good outturn of *mohua* expected except in Govindpore, where the flowers have been injured by rain and wind.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

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No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Apl. 7, '88	0·03	Weather—seasonable. There are no crops but sesamum and sugarcane. Prospects good. Common rice 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0 06	
2	Bankoora „ 7, '88	0·11	Weather—seasonable. Indigo, cotton, *til* and *boro* paddy coming on well. Lands are being prepared for sugarcane. Prices stationary.
3	Beerbhoom „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—warm. Sugarcane pressing nearly over; outturn good.
4	Midnapur „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—moderately warm. Crops doing well.
5	Hooghly „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Rain now much wanted for *boro dhan* and mangoes and for ploughing.
	Howrah „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—normal. *Boro* crop promises well.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Apl 10, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. No crops on the ground except sugarcane, which flourishes. Ploughing continues.
7	Nuddea „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—very sultry; nights foggy and damp. *Rubbi* harvest over; outturn fair throughout the district. Tillage for early rice in good progress. Indigo sowings large.
	Ranaghat ...	0·28	
8	Khoolna „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot in daytime, cool south breeze at night. *Boro* rice promises well. Ploughing going on. Rain wanted.
9	Jessore „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot, but cool mornings and evenings. Rain wanted for sowing of paddy and indigo. Prospects of *boro* in Narail good.
10	Moorshedabad „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Sowing of *bhadoi* paddy going on. Reaping of *rubbi* crops over.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Apl. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west winds. *Kowni*, jute and *bhadoi* are being sown.
12	Rajshahye „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Cutting of spring crops continues. Preparation of land for jute and paddy going on. Rain wanted.
13	Rungpur ...	...	Report not received.
14	Bogra „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and dry. High winds all day. State and prospects of crops good. Rain would be acceptable.
15	Pubna „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Rain wanted. *Khesari*, *matar*, linseed, gram and wheat almost harvested with poor outturn. Paddy and jute are being sown.
16	Darjeeling „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—fine. Rain much wanted for the growing crops in the hills. Ploughing for early rice continues in the plains. Prices steady.
17	Julpigoree „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and bright. Ploughing for early rice in progress. Sugarcane is being planted. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca Apl. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. *Rubbi* crops are still being gathered. Cultivation of land for paddy continues. *Aus* paddy and jute are being sown.
19	Furreedpur „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops satisfactory.
20	Backergunge „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 6, '88	0·75	Weather—hot and sultry. Prospects of crops good.
	Kishoregunge ...	0·42	
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Apl. 10, '88	0·04	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops fair. Prices unchanged.
23	Noakholly „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops mostly harvested; outturn fair. Sowing of *aus* has begun.
24	Tipperah „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cloudy and cool. Rain wanted. Standing crops getting on nicely. Preparation of lands and sowing of jute and paddy going on briskly.
	Brahmanbaria ...	1·07	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with fogs again in the early morning and late at night. *Jum* cutting nearly finished. Tobacco and chillies doing well.
	Hill Tipperah „ 4, '88	1·10	Weather—hot and windy. Lands are being prepared for early rice. Prospects of *boro* paddy and chillies fair.

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BEHAR.				
PATNA DIVS. 26	Patna	Apl. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. *Rubbi* threshing and opium weighment in progress. Fields are being prepared for *cheena* crop. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* being threshed. Weighment of opium begun. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather hot with strong west wind generally at midday. Threshing of *rubbi* crops still in progress. Sugarcane being planted. Opium collection is over; weighments have begun; outturn expected to be excellent this year.
29	Durbhunga	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Threshing of *rubbi* crops progressing. Early rice and *moong* are being sown, and have germinated in parts. Indigo looks well. Prices remain stationary.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—warm with west winds at midday. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops approaching completion. Rice, *moong* and *cheena* having germinated are thriving.
31	Sarun	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* crops all cut; outturn estimated at 13 annas. *Cheena* is being sown. Indigo is coming up well.
32	Chumparun	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and moderately hot; very strong wind prevails. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops almost finished; they are mostly on threshing floor. Weighment of opium commenced. Indigo sowings are above ground. Fields are being prepared in the Bettiah sub-division for *bhadoi* and *aghani* sowings.
BHAGULPORE DIVS. 33	Monghyr	Apl. 7, '88	0·02	Weather—hot and dry; west wind prevailing. Harvesting of *rubbi* crop nearly finished. Threshing has commenced. Prospects of mango crop continue good.
34	Bhagulpur	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* harvest nearly complete. Rain wanted for cultivation and sowing. Sugarcane seedlings doing well.
35	Purneah	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—warm. West wind prevails. *Rubbi* crops nearly harvested. *Bhadoi*, *moong* and jute being sown Rain would do good.
36	Maldah	„ 7, '88	Nil	Days very hot, but nights still fairly cool. High west winds. The long-continued drought is becoming rather serious, especially for the *boro* and *bhadoi* paddy. The harvest of *rubbi* crops is nearly over. The outturn would have been good but for the drought, and is now probably not more than 12 annas. Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergns.	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with high west winds. Rain wanted for sugarcane. Want of rain has spoilt indigo and *rubbi* crops except wheat and linseed, which are good. Mango and *mohua* doing well.
ORISSA.				
ORISSA DIVS. 38	Cuttack	Apl. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot Ploughing for *beali* and *sarad* rice going on, but rain wanted. Cotton in flower. Rice is sold at 20 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree	„ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; occasionally cloudy with high winds. Ploughing for *sarad* crop going on. *Dalua* crop being harvested. *Rubbi* being gathered. *Dalua* and miscellaneous crops including mango are in want of water in the Khoorda sub-division. Common rice 24 seers 12 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 25 seers 4 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore	„ 6, '88	0·44	Weather—seasonable. Cultivation going on. Few crops on the ground.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
South-West Frontier Agency.				
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVS. 41	Hazaribagh,	Apl. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; very warm. *Mohua* yielding indifferently in parts of the district. Prospects of mango generally good. Condition of agricultural stock fair on the whole. Prices steady.
42	Lohardugga	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. *Mohua* crop good. Harvesting of *rubbi* going on. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom	„ 6, '88	0·08	Weather—variable. Slight rain during the week. *Rubbi* being harvested with fair results. Cotton yielding well. Sugarcane being planted.
44	Manbhoom	„ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry; considerably hotter than last year. Wheat and barley being harvested; ten annas outturn expected. Sugarcane being planted. *Mohua* and lac expected to do very well.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 7th April 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 14th April 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Div. 1	Burdwan Apl. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—extremely hot. Prospects of crops favourable. Rain is now wanted. Price of common rice has fallen to a little over 22 seers per rupee.
Burdwan Div. 2	Bankoora ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, strong westerly wind in the day. Prospects of indigo, cotton, *boro*, and *til* good. Planting of sugarcane proceeds. Prices stationary.
Burdwan Div. 3	Beerbhoom ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. State and prospects of crops good.
Burdwan Div. 4	Midnapur ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; cool wind in evening. *Boro* crop is commencing to be reaped, and promises well. Rain is required.
Burdwan Div. 5	Hooghly ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—abnormally hot. Prospects of crops not so good as in last week, owing to excessive heat and want of rain.
	Howrah ,, 16, '88	Nil	South winds. *Boro dhan* doing well.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Div. 6	24-Perghs. Apl 17, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot with high winds and cool nights. No crops on the ground except sugarcane, which is doing well. Lands are still being tilled for rice crops.
Presidency Div. 7	Nuddea ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather.—Days exceedingly hot with sultry evenings and pleasant cool mornings. Tillage for early rice in good progress. Indigo doing well. Rain much wanted.
Presidency Div. 8	Khoolna ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry. *Boro* rice promises well. Rain urgently needed for ploughing. The spread of cholera, fever, and cattle-disease is so serious as likely to effect agricultural operations.
Presidency Div. 9	Jessore ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot with a good deal of west wind. Rain is wanted for all crops.
Presidency Div. 10	Moorshedabad ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—getting warmer. Sowing of *aus* paddy going on. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops over.
Rajshahye Div. 11	Dinagepur Apl. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west winds at midday. Jute and *bhadoi* are being sown.
Rajshahye Div. 12	Rajshahye ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Rain urgently required for jute, *aus*, and *amas*, also for further sowings.
Rajshahye Div. 13	Rungpur ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west winds. Crops doing fairly, but require rain.
Rajshahye Div. 14	Bogra ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot in the beginning of the week; cloudy and cooler at the end. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Div. 15	Pubna ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Rain wanted. Prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Div. 16	Darjeeling ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy, no rain. Rain much wanted in the hills. Lands are still being prepared in the Terai. Some jute already sown. Prices steady.
Rajshahye Div. 17	Julpigoree ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong east wind. Early rice has germinated in parts. Rain much wanted. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca Apl. 14, '88	0·42	Weather—hot and windy. A terrific tornado visited Dacca city and Hashail, a village in Munshigunge, on the 7th. Paddy and jute are being sown. *Boro* paddy thriving. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops nearly completed. Prospects continue favourable.
	Manickgunge ...	0·37	
	Munshigunge ...	0·20	
Dacca Division. 19	Furreedpur ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops fair, but rain is wanted for jute and early paddy sowings.
Dacca Division. 20	Backergunge ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—rather warm. Rain wanted. Prospects of crops good.
Dacca Division. 21	Mymensingh ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Prospects of crops good. Rain wanted for cultivation.
Chittagong Div. 22	Chittagong Apl. 17, '88	Nil	Weather—variable. Rain much wanted. Prospects of crops fair. Prices stationary
Chittagong Div. 23	Noakholly ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Strong southerly wind. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops continues. Sowing of *aus* progressing.
Chittagong Div. 24	Tipperah ,, 12, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; some rain would be very beneficial. Whatever standing crops there are, are being reaped with good outturn. Lands are being prepared for rice and jute.
Chittagong Div. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. ,, 11, '88	0·79	Weather—foggy in the morning, hot till midnight, and cool in the latter part of the night. A shower of rain on the 9th. Joom burning continues Tobacco, chillie, and other winter crops are being gathered. Planting of sugarcane commenced.
	Hill Tipperah ,, 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Early rice is being sown in some parts. Prospects of *boro* paddy fair.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna Apl. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and sultry. Threshing of *rubbi* going on. Opium weighment in progress. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. *Rubbi* being threshed. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and hot with high west wind generally at midday. *Rubbi* threshing still in progress. Sugarcane is being irrigated. Opium weighment nearly finished; outturn not quite so good as expected.
29	Durbhunga „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. West wind prevailing. Threshing of *rubbi* continues. Prospects of early rice, *moong*, and indigo promising. Opium weighment in progress. Prices remain stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather.—Days hot, mornings cool and pleasant. Threshing of *rubbi* crops progressing. Paddy, *moong*, and *cheena* thriving. These crops are still being sown in places. Rain required.
31	Sarun „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. Threshing of *rubbi* crops is in full progress. Sugarcane is being irrigated. Prospects of all crops on the ground good. Weighment of opium in full swing; outturn excellent.
32	Chumparun „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—dry with west wind Threshing of *rubbi* crops in progress. Preparation of fields for *bhadoi* and *aghani* sowings going on. Indigo doing well. Weighment of opium progressing satisfactorily.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr Apl. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry with strong west wind at mid-day. *Rubbi* harvest completed; threshing in progress with fair outturn.
34	Bhagulpur „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west winds. Sugarcane doing well. Rain wanted. *Rubbi* outturn eight to ten annas.
35	Purneah „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather.—Genial west winds have abated. Land is being prepared for ensuing rice.
36	Maldah „ 14 '88	Nil	Weather—very dry. Days hot, with changeable winds, generally westerly. Nights still moderately cool. *Boro* paddy still doing fairly. Some *bhadoi* seedlings are up, and some being sown, but rain is very much wanted, and the unusually prolonged drought is doing harm both to standing crops and to preparation of land for future crops. Common rice selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with strong west winds *Rubbi* nearly all cut; outturn about 12 annas (16 being average). Indigo prospects bad. Some sugarcane planted. Rain wanted for sugarcane and mango. *Mohua* outturn not good.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack Apl. 13, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. *Dalua* rice is being cut with fair outturn. Rice is sold at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Ploughing going on. *Dalua* crop being harvested. *Rubbi* being gathered. Sugarcane, cotton, *dalua*, and mango are in want of rain in the Khurda sub-division. Common rice 20 seers 2 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 21 seers 15 chittacks in the Khurda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather.—Days hot but nights fairly cool. *Dalua* rice is being harvested in south. Cultivation of lands in progress everywhere. Rain wanted.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh, Apl. 13, '88	Nil	Weather—hot, strong west winds. Sugarcane promising. Prospects of mango fair. *Mohua* yielding well except in parts of the district. Opium weighment in progress. Condition of agricultural stock generally fair.
42	Lohardugga „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very warm. Harvesting of *rubbi* continues. *Mohua* gathering is going on. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—most extraordinary; hot, moist, and muggy. Wheat is still being harvested. Sugarcane and cotton doing well. *Mohua* and mangoes suffered much; not more than half crops expected.
44	Manbhoom „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot with strong west winds. Sugarcane is being planted. *Mohua* dropping; probable outturn from 12 to 16 annas. Cotton doing well. Great scarcity of water throughout the district.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 21st April 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Dtvs. 1	Burdwan Apl 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with violent east winds Rain is much wanted for the sesamum crop. No other crop on the ground. Price of common rice has further fallen to nearly 23 seers per rupee on an average.
Burdwan Dtvs. 2	Bankoora „ 21, '88	0·20	Weather—sultry. Indigo, cotton and *til* thriving. Planting of sugarcane continues. No change in the rice market.
Burdwan Dtvs. 3	Beerbhoom „ 21, '88	0·12	Weather—intensely hot till 20th, when a storm cooled the air. No crops on the ground. Rain wanted for the mangoes.
Burdwan Dtvs. 4	Midnapur „ 21, '88	0·03	A small nor'-wester on the evening of 20th; moderately hot. *Boro* is being reaped. Rain is much wanted in the north and west of the district.
Burdwan Dtvs. 5	Hooghly „ 21, '88	0·14	Weather—very hot, stormy since 20th. Rain much wanted for crops and for ploughing.
Burdwan Dtvs.	Howrah „ 23, '88	0·01	Weather—warm days, cool nights. State and prospects of crops good.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Dtvs. 6	24-Pergns. Apl 24, '88		Weather—unsettled with high winds. No crops on the ground except sugarcane, which is doing well. Lands are being prepared for cultivation of rice and jute crops.
Presidency Dtvs. 7	Nuddea „ 21, '88	0·86	Weather—very sultry; wind high and stormy. Rain has fallen in Kooshtea and the Sudder sub-division and has done much good. It is urgently wanted elsewhere. Tillage for *bhadoi* progressing. Indigo and sugarcane good.
Presidency Dtvs.	Kooshtea ...	0·60	
Presidency Dtvs. 8	Khoolna „ 21, '88	0·79	Weather—warm with bright sun and south breeze; sky overclouded with light rain during the last three evenings. *Boro* rice promises well. Rain wanted for cultivation.
Presidency Dtvs. 9	Jessore „ 21, '88	1·14	Weather—hot, except in the latter end of the week, when rain fell. Rain will be beneficial to sowings.
Presidency Dtvs.	Magoorah ...	1·11	
Presidency Dtvs.	Narail ...	0·25	
Presidency Dtvs. 10	Moorshedabad „ 21, '88	1·25	Weather—cloudy and cooler. A heavy shower with high wind on 20th in the Sudder sub-division. Sowing of early rice going on. Rain has come in time to assist cultivation of early rice and indigo.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur Apl. 21, '88	Nil	Blowing up for rain. *Bhadoi* and jute sowings have germinated. Cultivation
Rajshahye Divn.	Thakurgaon ...	0·26	of sugarcane in progress. Showers of rain wanted.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot till 20th, now cloudy and cooler. Rain still holds off, and *boro* paddy, jute, *aus* and *amun* are all suffering.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 21, '88	0·09	Weather—cool and cloudy. Rain has fallen over a considerable portion of the
Rajshahye Divn.	Nilphamari ...	1·40	district and has improved prospects.
Rajshahye Divn.	Gaibanda ...	0·30	
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 21, '88	Nil	High hot winds, except during last two days when winds changed to east. Winds still high. Thermometer dropped 10°. State and prospects of crops good, but rain wanted.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 21, '88	0·25	Weather—hot in daytime, but cool at night; stormy. State and prospects of crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 21, '88	0·69	Weather—warm. Rain fell locally, but is believed to have been general. No reports from the interior. Prospects of the crops good. Prices the same as last week.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 21, '88	Nil	Easterly wind blew continually throughout the week. *Bhadoi* paddy and jute are being sown. Rice sells at 21 seers per rupee at head-quarters.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division 18	Dacca Apl. 21, '88	2·44	Weather—mostly cloudy with high wind. *Aus* and *amun* paddy and jute are
Dacca Division	Munshigunge ...	0·10	being sown. Harvesting of *boro* paddy commenced. Recent rain and storm
Dacca Division	Naraingunge ...	1·15	have done some damage to *boro* paddy. On the whole prospects of crops good.
Dacca Division 19	Furreedpur „ 21, '88	1·88	Weather—seasonable. Rain has fallen, but more is wanted. Lands are being
Dacca Division	Goalundo ...	0·26	ploughed for jute and paddy.
Dacca Division	Madaripur ...	0·44	
Dacca Division 20	Backergunge „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Prospects of crops good. Rain wanted.
Dacca Division 21	Mymensingh „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy; very hot. State and prospects of crops good. Rain wanted
Dacca Division	Jamalpur ...	0·2	for cultivation.
Dacca Division	Kishoregunge ...	1·15	
Dacca Division	Netrokona ...	0·17	
Chittagong Dtvn. 22	Chittagong Apl. 24, '88	2·88	Weather—unsettled. A severe storm on 17th. Lands are being prepared for *aus* crop. Prices steady.
Chittagong Dtvn. 23	Noakholly „ 20, '88	0·66	Weather—cloudy and stormy. Sowing of *aus* continues. Harvesting of *rubbi*
Chittagong Dtvn.	Feny ...	0·72	crops nearly completed.
Chittagong Dtvn. 24	Tipperah „ 12, '88	0·61	Weather—cloudy, with some rain at head-quarters; comparatively cool. The few standing crops there are give promise of good outturn. Rain, wherever it has fallen, has promoted agricultural operations.
Chittagong Dtvn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 18, '88	0·59	Strong, steady, south-westerly gale throughout the week, interrupted on the 17th by a north-westerly rotatory storm which has cooled the air. *Jum* burning still going on. Gathering of winter crops almost finished. Planting of sugarcane continues.
Chittagong Dtvn.	Hill Tipperah „ 18, '88	0·82	Weather—cloudy and unsettled. Early rice is being sown. Lands are being prepared for sugarcane.

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BEHAR				
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna	Apl. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and sultry. *Rubbi* threshing and opium weighment going on. *Boro* rice in some places on dearah lands promises well. Prices of food-grains almost stationary.
27	Gya	„ 00, '88		Report not received.
28	Shahabad	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; west wind has abated; easterly wind prevailing for the last three days. *Rubbi* threshing almost completed; outturn fair. Sugarcane is being irrigated. Opium weighments are over; outturn not so good as expected.
29	Durbhunga	„ 21, '88	Nil	East wind prevailing. Rain much wanted for *moong* and paddy sowings, which however, still look promising. Indigo is doing well. Price of common rice averages 21 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with high east wind. Paddy, *moong* and *cheena* thriving. Threshing of *rubbi* crops in progress.
31	Sarun	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Indigo doing well. Preparation of fields for *bhadoi* and *aghani* will shortly be taken up. Sugarcane is being irrigated. *Cheena* coming up well. Opium weighments progressing satisfactorily.
32	Champarun	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot with varying winds. Threshing of *rubbi* crops coming to a close. Sowing of *aghani* on low lands commenced in the Bettiah sub-division. Weighments of opium in full progress. Prospects of all standing crops good.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr	Apl. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and sultry; east wind prevailing since last four days. Threshing of *rubbi* crops still going on. Preparation of lands for *bhadoi* crops has commenced in places.
34	Bhagulpur	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—at first hot with west wind, now cooler with wind from the east and cloudy. *Rubbi* crops being threshed. Rain wanted for rice, *moong*, and sugarcane.
3	Purneah	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; east winds prevailing, indication of rain. Rain would do good to early rice and jute seedlings.
3	Maldah	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and oppressive with clouds and east winds. *Boro* paddy still doing well. *Bhadoi* sowings going on. Rain much wanted for these and other standing crops, such as jute, *moong*, &c., the sowing of which has been finished in low lands in north of the district. Common rice selling at an average of 23¼ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergha	„ 24, '88	0 43	Winds westerly, changing to south and east with clouds; very little rain. Sugarcane in Godda and *boro dhan* in Rajmehal doing well. Rain wanted for sugarcane in Deoghur. *Mohua* has been a bad crop.
ORISSA.				
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack	Apl. 20, '88	Nil	Mornings cool; evenings cool with high winds; mid-days extremely hot. Ploughing for *beali* and *sarad* rice stopped for want of rain. Rice is sold at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree	„ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Mango is beginning to ripen. Common rice selling at 24 seers 1 chittack per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 23 seers 11 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore	„ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. *Kalai* and cotton being harvested. Cultivation of land retarded by want of rain.
CHOTA NAGPORE. *South-West Frontier Agency.*				
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh,	Apl. 20, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot with stormy west winds. Sugarcane doing well. Mango promising. *Mohua* has yielded fairly except in some places. No other crops.
42	Lohardugga	„ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—very warm with strong west wind. *Mohua* gathering almost over. No crops on the ground to report on. Price of rice has a tendency to rise.
43	Singbhoom	„ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot; thermometer 110° in the shade. Cloudy to-day (20th). Only sugarcane and cotton on ground, both reported to be doing well. Mango expected to be an 8-anna crop only.
44	Manbhoom	„ 2[illegible], '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Wind has shifted to the east. Sugarcane is being planted. Cotton pods bursting; probable outturn 12 annas.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 28th April 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan Apl. 28, '88	0·23	Weather—cloudy and stormy. Rain has done much good to standing crops Land is being ploughed. Rice selling at 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·80	
	Cutwa ...	1·39	
	Raneegunge ...	1·86	
2	Bankoora ,, 28, '88	1·23	Weather—cool and cloudy. Rain beneficial to cultivation of early rice. Lands are being prepared for *aus* and *tetko* paddy. Indigo, *til* and cotton doing well. Planting of sugarcane proceeds. Prices stationary.
3	Beerbhoom ,, 28, '88	1·16	Sky overcast. Occasional storms and frequent showers. Cool. Rain has
	Rampur Haut	0·82	enabled cultivators to commence ploughing and planting sugarcane, and has done good to mangoes and vegetation generally.
4	Midnapur ,, 28, '88	2·58	More or less rain in the evenings during the week. Rain has cooled the air and has been very useful, as water-supply was failing. Fields are being ploughed. Outturn of *boro* fairly good.
5	Hooghly ,, 28, '88	1·42	Weather—stormy. Good rain has now fallen and agricultural operations have
	Serampur ...	0·46	been resumed.
	Jehanabad ...	2·13	
	Howrah ,, 28, '88	2 84	Stormy evenings. State and prospects of crops good.
	Oolooberiah ...	1·04	
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Perghs. Apl 28, '88	3 35	Weather—rainy. Winds variable. No crops on the ground except sugarcane, which is doing well. Ploughing continues. Prospects favourable.
7	Nuddea ,, 28, '88	1·18	General rain. Weather cooler; very unsettled and stormy. Continual rain
	Kooshtea ...	3·77	during the week retarded cultivation. Prospects considerably improved.
	Meherpur ...	2·61	*Aus* sowings have germinated well.
	Chooadanga ...	3·15	
	Ranaghat ...	1·75	
8	Khoolna ,, 28, '88	2·25	Weather—overcast; wind and thunder-showers since 22nd. Temperature fallen. The rain is desirable for cultivation.
9	Jessore ,, 28, '88	3·32	Weather—rainy and cloudy. Rain has benefited cultivation of early rice and
	Jhenidah ...	4·16	indigo.
	Magurah ...	3·31	
	Narail ...	2·17	
	Bongong ...	1 27	
10	Moorshedabad ,, 28, '88	1 31	Weather—cool and cloudy. Timely rain has done much good to early rice and
	Kandi ...	1 84	indigo. Ploughing for *aus* and *amán* rice commenced.
	Lalbag ...	1·16	
	Jungipur ...	0·68	
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur Apl. 28, '88	5·79	Weather—stormy during early part of week, now clear with sunshine. Rain
	Thakurgaon ...	3·85	has done much good to crops.
12	Rajshahye ,, 28, '88	1·29	Weather—still cool. Quite cold up to 26th instant. Easterly wind. Condition
	Nattore ...	2·20	of *til*, sugarcane, jute and *boro* paddy good. Rain has benefited sowing
	Nowgong ...	0·44	of *aman* and *aus*, but more wanted.
13	Rungpur ,, 28, '88	4·15	Prospects of *aus* paddy and jute appear to be very good, as plentiful rain has
	Kurigram ...	1·28	fallen, and the fine weather since is favourable to weeding.
	Gaibanda ...	4·43	
	Nilphamari ...	4·02	
14	Bogra ,, 28, '88	2 00	Weather—cool with wind and rain. Prospects of crops good. Advantage taken
	Sherpur ...	2·96	of rain for ploughing and early sowings.
	Nowkhilla ...	2·90	
15	Pubna ,, 28, '88	5·42	Weather—stormy and very cool. State and prospects of crops continue good.
	Serajgunge ...	4·99	
16	Darjeeling ,, 28, '88	1·50	Heavy passing showers. State and prospects of crops good.
17	Julpigoree ,, 28, '88	8·70	Weather—cool and pleasant. Heavy showers on the 22nd, 24th and 26th. Sowing of *bhadoi* continues. Rain has improved prospects. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION. 18	Dacca Apl. 28, '88	5·56	Weather—cloudy and stormy with rain. *Boro* paddy is being harvested.
	Manickgunge ...	4·43	Cutting of *cheena* and *kaon* nearly completed. *Aman* and *aus* paddy are
	Munshigunge ...	4·96	being sown, but excessive rain has to certain extent retarded ploughing and
	Naraingunge ...	7·69	sowing.
19	Furreedpur ,, 28, '88	4·15	Weather—stormy. Good rain has fallen, and state and prospects of crops are
	Goalundo ...	0·75	good.
	Madaripur ...	2·74	
20	Backergunge ,, 27, '88	2·08	High wind with occasional rain. *Rabbi* crops almost harvested; outturn
	Bhola ...	0·84	fair. Ground is being prepared for *aus* paddy.
	Patuakhali ...	1·24	
	Perozepur ...	2·07	
21	Mymensingh ,, 27, '88	4·13	Weather—cool. Rain all over the district. Prospects of crops good. Rain has
	Jamalpur ...	0·52	done much good.
	Kishoregunge ...	2 35	
	Attia ...	1·07	
	Netrokona ...	2·05	

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BENGAL—*concluded*.			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
23	Noakholly „ 27, '88	3·58	Weather—cloudy and stormy. Harvesting of *rubbi* crops almost completed. Sowing of *aus* continues.
	Feuny ...	3·79	
24	Tipperah „ 26, '88	4·53	Weather—very cool for the time of the year. Rain has fallen, and cultivation is in full swing. Jute has been sown almost completely. Prospects good.
	Brahmanbariah ...	6·51	
	Chandpur ...	1·14	A little break in the rain would be beneficial.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 24, '88	1·67	Weather—rainy during first part of week with strong rotatory storms. Sowing in *jums* continues. Sugarcane is being planted.
	Hill Tipperah „ 25, '88	8·29	Weather—hot and stormy with copious showers of rain. Planting of sugarcane has commenced. *Jums* are being cultivated.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna Apl. 28, '88	Nil	Weather—nights somewhat cool during the latter part of the week. Threshing of *rubbi* crops still going on; a fair outturn expected. Fields are being prepared for sowing *cheena*. Mango crop has suffered some damage owing to strong west wind. Prices of food-grains almost stationary.
27	Gya „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Threshing of *rubbi* nearly finished. Sugarcane being irrigated. Opium weighments finished.
28	Shahabad „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; east wind prevails. Threshing of *rubbi* crops nearly over. Sugarcane and *cheena* promise well.
29	Durbhunga „ 28, '88	0·80	Weather—cloudy with east wind. Rain has much benefited *moong* and *dhan*. Indigo doing well. Prices remain stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 28, '88	0·56	Strong east winds. Rain has been beneficial to *moong* and *cheena*, though some damage was done to these crops in Sitamarhi by hail. Threshing of *rubbi* crops progressing.
	Sitamarhi ...	2·70	
	Hajeepur ...	Nil	
31	Sarun „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonble. Indigo continues to do well. Fields are being prepared for *bhadoi* and paddy. *Cheena* and sugarcane fields are being irrigated.
32	Chumparun „ 28, '88	0·95	Weather—moderately hot with east wind. Threshing of *rubbi* crops finished. *Bhadoi* and *aghani* sowings going on. Opium weighments progressing. Rainfall of the week has very much benefited *cheena* and indigo, and other standing crops.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr Apl. 28, '88	Nil	Weather days hot and sultry with high east wind, nights cool. *Rubbi* threshing almost completed. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* crops.
	Jamui ...	0·32	
34	Bhagulpur „ 28, '88	0·65	Weather—cool with strong east wind. Rain has benefited early sowings of rice and *moong*. It will bring on indigo and assist cultivation. Mango crop poor and damaged by hail. Sugarcane doing well.
	Madhupur ...	2·12	
	Soopool ...	1·22	
35	Purneah „ 28, '88	2·43	Weather—cool with easterly winds. All crops have benefited by the rain which has been well distributed.
	Kishengunge ...	10·48	
	Arrareah ...	3·03	
36	Maldah „ 28, '88	0·07	Weather—cool and cloudy. Harvesting of *boro* paddy begun. Rain has done some good to standing crops, but more wanted for sowings of *bhadoi* paddy and for preparing lands for winter rice. Common rice is selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ..	0·51	
	Gazole ...	0·78	
	Shibgnuge ...	0·1	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 28, '88	0 31	East winds with rain. Weather cool. *Boro dhan* doing well. More rain wanted for ploughing and for sugarcane.
	Deoghur ...	0·22	
	Godda ...	0·24	
	Pakour ...	0 28	
	Rajmahal ...	0·14	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack Apl. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings cool; evenings cool with high winds; middays extremely hot. High winds prevailing from south-east. Ploughing for *beali* and *sarad* rice stopped for want of rain. Reaping of *dalua* rice going on. Mango ripening. Common rice is sold at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable with high winds. Land is being ploughed for *sarad* crop.
	Khoorda ...	Nil	*Dalua* crop is being harvested. Common rice 23 seers 7 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 23 seers 6 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 27, '88	1·11	Weather—stormy. Rain has been very beneficial in the north of the district. More rain wanted for cultivation in the Bhudruck sub-division.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	***South-West Frontier Agency*.**		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh, Apl. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—rather unsettled and much cooler latterly. Sugarcane doing well. Mango promising. No other crops.
42	Lohardugga „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy, but no rain. No standing crops to report on. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and cloudy at times. Sugarcane doing well. No other crops to report on.
	Manbhoom „ 28, '88	0 52	Weather—cool and cloudy. Rain has done good. Fields are being ploughed up. Outturn of *mohua* and mango good.
44	Govindpur ...	0·5	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 28th April 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 5th May 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan May 5, '88	0·75	Weather—exceedingly hot with south-east winds. State of crops is fair, but rain is badly wanted. Common rice is again a little below 22 seers per rupee on the average.
	Culna ...	0·75	
	Cutwa ...	0·62	
	Raneegunge ...	0·15	
2	Bankoora „ 5, '88	0·18	Weather—cooler for the season and cloudy. The plantation of sugarcane still continues. Cotton and *khoshta til* are in pods. Fields are being ploughed for the *bhadoi* crop. No change in the rice market.
3	Beerbhoom „ 5, '88	0·21	Weather—very hot and stormy. The rain has done good. Ploughing and sugarcane planting is going on actively.
	Rampur Haut ...	0·85	
4	Midnapur „ 5, '88	0·27	Weather—high winds and some clouds which seem now decreasing. The *boro* crop mostly reaped. The lands generally being prepared for *amun*.
5	Hooghly „ 5, '88	1·02	Weather—stormy and seasonable. Ploughing and sowing now progressing satisfactorily.
	Serampur ...	2·60	
	Jehanabad ...	0·87	
	Howrah „ 5, '88	1·01	Weather—rain fell during first part of the week. *Boro* harvest nearly finished. The ploughing of lands continues.
	Oolooberiah ...	2·24	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. May 8, '88	2·07	Weather—sultry and cloudy, with occasional heavy thunder-storms. Sowing of jute and *aus* has commenced. Sugarcane thriving well.
7	Nuddea „ 5, '88	0·01	Weather—seasonable; very sultry; night breezes strong. The rain has done much good; extensive sowings of early rice reported. Indigo is doing well.
	Kooshtea ...	1·46	
	Meherpur ...	0·99	
	Chooadanga ...	1·28	
	Ranaghat ...	0·16	
8	Khoolna „ 5, '88	1·07	Weather—cloudy with occasional light showers. Cultivation for *aus* crop is going on. More rain is desirable for the purpose.
9	Jessore „ 5, '88	1·05	Weather—fair. Sowing of *bhadoi*, indigo and jute going on. Prospects of *boro* and sugarcane good.
	Jhenidah ...	1·	
	Magurah ...	2·36	
	Narail ...	1·76	
	Bongong ...	1 6	
10	Moorshedabad „ 5, '88	0·30	Weather—clouds disappeared; last two days hot and sultry. Sowing of *amun* and *aus* rice crops has commenced.
	Kandi ...	0 19	
	Lalbag ...	...	
	Jungipur ...	...	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur May 5, '88	1·32	Weather—cloudy and hot. The rain has been favourable to the crops, but sunshine is now wanted.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·31	
12	Rajshahye „ 5, '88	1·04	Weather—stormy, but hot after the rain. Rain has done good to standing crops. Condition of all crops good. *Aus* and *amun* paddy being sown.
	Nattore ...	1·73	
	Nowgong ...	1·27	
13	Rungpur „ 5, '88	1·88	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional rain. Prospects of crops continue very good.
	Nilphamari ...	1·80	
	Kurigram ...	6·29	
	Gaibanda ...	2·43	
14	Bogra „ 5, '88	1 73	Weather—first half of week cool; second half muggy. Sowings of *aus* and jute under very favourable conditions.
	Sherpur ...	1·35	
	Nowkhilla ...	1·38	
15	Pubna „ 5, '88	1·91	Weather—cloudy and stormy; the latter part of week hot. State of crops continues good.
	Serajgunge ...	1·10	
16	Darjeeling „ 5, '88	0·95	Weather—hot. Rain general. State of crops good.
17	Julpigoree „ 5, '88	0·14	Weather—cool during early part of week, now very hot and sultry. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca May 5, '88	1·21	Weather—hot. *Boro* paddy and *kaoni* being harvested. The sowing of *aus* and *amun* paddy has been to a certain extent retarded on account of incessant rain. Rivers are rising fast. Some rice and jute plants have been damaged by being submerged.
	Manickgunge ...	2·74	
	Munshigunge ...	2·78	
	Naraingunge ...	3·21	
19	Furreedpur „ 5, '88	1·40	Weather—stormy and cloudy. Sowing of *aus* and *amun* is nearly completed. Prospects of crops fair.
	Goalundo ...	0·45	
	Madaripur ...	4·18	
20	Backergunge	.....	Not received.
21	Mymensingh „ 4, '88	4·05	Weather—hot, but was cool for the greater part of the week. Heavy rain during the past week. The excessive and continuous rains, it is reported have damaged the *boro* crop in Kishoregunge and Netrokona sub-divisions. Prospects of crops otherwise good.
	Jamalpur ...	8·22	
	Kishoregunge ...	8·97	
	Attia ...	3·93	
	Netrokona ...	4·65	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong May 8, '88	0·28	Weather—hot and oppressive. Prospects of crops fair. Prices stationary.
23	Noakbolly „ 4, '88	5·59	Weather—rainy and cloudy. The late heavy rain has deterred the sowing of *aus* and caused some damage to *rubbi* crops.
	Feuny ...	8·24	
24	Tipperah „ 3, '88	8·43	Weather—abnormally rainy and wet. Rain has now apparently ceased. It is feared that some injury will have been done by the heavy rain to the standing crops, such as they are. Agricultural operations have been completely stopped owing to the heavy downpour day after day.
	Brahmanbariah ...	8·14	
	Chandpur ...	6·50	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 1, '88	5·87	Weather—rainy throughout the week with strong rotatory storms. Sowing in *jums* continues. Planting of sugarcane still continues in some places.
	Hill Tipperah „ 2, '88	8·49	Weather—rainy and stormy. Planting of sugarcane continues. Chillies have suffered from rain.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna May 5, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; easterly winds with slight showers on two occasions. *Rubbi* threshing still going on. Prices of food-grains almost stationary.
27	Gya „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—excessively hot. Threshing of *rubbi* finished. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Threshing of *rubbi* crops almost over. Sugarcane and *cheena* coming on well.
29	Durbhunga „ 5, '88	1·8	Weather—cloudy in the beginning of the week. The late rain has done much good to the standing crops. *Moong*, paddy and indigo prospects are excellent. Prices continue stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 5, '88	1·13	Weather—cloudy in the beginning, latterly hot and fair. Threshing of *rubbi* almost over. Crops on the ground doing well. Rain has done good. Mango crop severely injured by strong east winds.
	Hajeepur ...	0·20	
	Sitamarhi ...	1·25	
31	Sarun „ 5, '88	0·1	Weather—seasonable. The little rain that has fallen has done good to the agricultural operations Sugarcane and *cheena* crops doing well. Fields are under preparation for *bhadoi* and *aghani*.
	Sewan ...	0·53	
	Gopalgunge ...	1·11	
32	Chumparun „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of all standing crops, including indigo, good. *Bhadoi* and *aghani* sowings going on. Weighment of opium nearly finished
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr May 5, '88	0·26	Weather—hot and sultry; east winds abated. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* crops, but more rain wanted for ploughing paddy lands.
	Begusarai ...	...	
	Jamui ...	0·11	
34	Bhagulpur „ 5, '88	0·29	Weather—heat returned with west wind. The rain in the north has done much good to low land rice and *moong*, and lands are being prepared rapidly for *bhadoi* crop. In south only sugarcane and indigo on the ground. More rain is wanted.
	Madhupur ...	2·02	
	Soopool ...	1·57	
3	Purneah „ 5, '88	2·52	Weather—rather hot. State and prospect of crops good.
	Kishengunge ...	0·95	
	Arrareah ...	0·28	
3	Maldah „ 5. '88	0·90	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional rain and high east wind. Harvesting of *boro* paddy continues. The rain was general throughout the district and has done much good to the *bhadoi* and *kaimanta* sowings except in Kaliachak and Manickchack, where the rainfall was scanty. Common rice is selling at an average of 23½ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ..	1·14	
	Shibgunge ...	0·64	
	Gazole ...	0·70	
37	Sonthal Perghs „ 5, '88	0·63	Weather—west side no rain; cloudy but hot. On east and centre cloudy with east wind and some rain. On west side (Deoghur and Jamtara) sugarcane suffers for want of rain. Rain badly wanted for cane and mangoes. In east *bo o dhan* and indigo doing well.
	Deoghur ...	0·03	
	Godda ...	0·13	
	Rajmahal ...	0·55	
	Pakour ...	0·79	
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack May 4, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings cool; evenings cool with high winds. Middays extremely hot; high winds prevailing from south-east. Ploughing for *beali* and *sarad* rice stopped for want of rain. Reaping of *dalua* rice going on. Common rice is sold at 20 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Land is being ploughed for the ensuing *sarad* crop.
	Khoorda ...	Nil	*Dalua* crop is being harvested. Common rice selling at 23 seers 8 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 23 seers 14 chittacks in the Khorda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Lands being cultivated and sowings of rice begun in some places.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh, May 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Sugarcane doing well. Mango promising.
42	Lohardugga „ 5, '88	0·02	Weather—seasonable. Very hot. No crops on the ground to report on. Prices as before.
43	Singbhoom „ 4, '88	0·05	Weather—very hot and muggy. No rain at head-quarters, but more or less in the interior. Sugarcane being planted. An 8-anna mango crop expected.
	Manbhoom „ 5, '88	0·41	Weather—hot, with slight wind. Sugarcane being planted. Lands are being prepared for cultivation.
44	Govindpur ...	...	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 12th May 1888.

No.	District and date of return	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan May 12, '88	0·42	Weather—exceedingly hot, with light winds from south-east. Ploughing and early rice and jute sowings in progress. Rain wanted. Prospects fair. Price of common rice 22½ seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	1·85	
	Cutwa ...	3·94	
	Raneegunge ...	0·37	
2	Bankoora „ 12, '88	0·51	Weather—seasonable. Rain has helped ploughing. *Til*, sugarcane, *borodhan*, cotton, and indigo, are doing well. No appreciable change in the rice market.
3	Beerbhoom „ 12, '88	1·51	Weather—cloudy, attended with occasional wind and rain. Planting of sugarcane and ploughing continue. Prices stationary.
	Rampur Haut ...	0·21	
4	Midnapur „ 12, '88	1·89	Weather—warm, with occasional showers. *Boro* harvest now complete. Ploughing for *amun* going on under favorable circumstances.
5	Hugli „ 12, '88	0·16	Weather—seasonable. Ploughing and sowing are now going on briskly. Prospects are good so far.
	Serampur ...	0·05	
	Jehanabad ...	0·12	
	Howrah „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good. More rain wanted.
	Nil.		
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. ...	.....	Report not received.
7	Nuddea „ 12, '88	1·35	Weather—hot and stormy. Cultivation of *aus* in excellent progress. Seedlings promising.
	Kooshtea ...	2·45	
	Meherpur ...	4·78	
	Chooadanga ...	1·68	
	Ranaghat ...	0·37	
8	Khoolna „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and no breeze. *Til* promises well. *Boro* rice being harvested. Jute and *aus* rice being sown, and cultivation progressing.
9	Jessore „ 12, '88	0·85	Weather—very hot. Sowing of *dhan* and indigo going on. Harvesting of *boro* nearly complete.
	Jhenidah ...	3·28	
	Magurah ...	1·27	
	Narail ...	0·28	
10	Moorshedabad „ 12, '88	0·97	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals. *Aus* and *amun dhan* are being sown; in some places *aus* has come up and doing well. State of indigo and sugarcane good.
	Kandi ...	0·55	
	Lalbag ...	1·20	
	Jungipur ...	0·04	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur May 12, '88	Nil	Weather—sultry. Jute and *bhadoi* doing well. More sunshine required. Half the *bhadoi dhan* has been sown.
12	Rajshahye „ 12, '88	2·33	Weather—cool and sultry by turns. Sowing of *aus* and *amun* still going on, but sowing on low lands retarded by rain. Condition of jute, *til*, and sugarcane good. Common rice sells at 22½ seers per rupee in Rampore Beauleah and as much as 30 seers at places in the interior.
	Nattore ...	1·32	
	Nowgong ...	0·5	
13	Rungpur „ 12, '88	0·17	*Cheena* being harvested. Lands being prepared for winter rice. *Aus* and jute flourishing.
	Nilphamari ...	0·49	
	Kurigram ...	0·64	
14	Bogra „ 12, '88	0·75	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops excellent.
	Sherpur ...	0·85	
	Nowkhilla ...	0·35	
15	Pubna „ 12, '88	0·32	Weather—alternately bright and cloudy. Prospects of crops good. Rice and jute coming up well.
	Serajgunge ...	0·31	
16	Darjeeling „ 12, '88	0·12	Weather—cloudy and unsettled, but very slight rain. Prospects fairly good. Sowing of autumn crops continues.
17	Julpigoree. „ 12, '88	0·32	Weather—hot and cloudy. Ploughing and sowing in progress. Prospects of crops good. No change in the rice market.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca May 12, '88	0·47	Weather—hot; first part of the week cloudy and latter part fine. Sowing of rice still going on. Paddy fields are getting dry again. Paddy and jute plants in low lands have suffered slightly from excessive rain.
	Manickgunge ...	0·27	
	Munshigunge ...	0·59	
	Narsingunge ...	0·74	
19	Furreedpur „ 12, '88	1·22	Weather—hot. Sowing of paddy and jute in progress. Prospects fair.
	Goalundo ...	1·17	
	Backergunge „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospect of standing crops good. *Aus* is being sown.
	Patuakhali ...	0·46	
20	Bhola ...	2·17	
21	Mymensingh „ 11, '88	0·58	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·32	
	Kishoregunge ...	0·21	
	Netrokona ...	0·22	

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 23	Chittagong May 15, '88	1·76	Weather—seasonable. *Pania aus* being sown. Prices unchanged.
23	Noakholly „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Sowing of *aus* continues. Prospects favourable.
24	Tipperah „ 10, '88	0·70	Weather—dry and seasonable; occasionally a storm, with more or less rain, comes up generally at night. Late heavy rain has done some harm to chillies and other crops, but weather has been fine since, and probably the damage will be found to have been slight. Agricultural operations are in full swing, and prospects are not unfavourable.
	Brahmanbariah ...	3·78	
	Chandpur ...	0·60	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 8, '88	0·55	Weather—unsettled, but excessively hot throughout the week. Sowing in *jums* continues; seeds already sown are germinating. Planting of sugarcane now finished; shoots are appearing. Cutting of tobacco over.
	Hill Tipperah „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and stormy. Early rice is being sown. *Jums* are being cultivated. Chillies are being gathered.
BEHAR			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna May 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close. *Rubbi* threshing and winnowing completed. Fields have been prepared for *cheena* sowings. Stock of food-grains sufficient. Prices stationary.
27	Gya „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. Threshing of *rubbi* crops finished. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot. East wind again prevails. *Cheena* and sugarcane are being irrigated and doing well.
29	Durbhunga „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Fields are being prepared for *bhadoi* and paddy sowings. Prospects of early rice and *moong* are promising. Prices remain stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Threshing of *rubbi* crops almost complete. Prospects of standing crops favourable. Lands being prepared for *bhadoi* sowings.
31	Sarun „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and sultry. Sugarcane, *cheena* and indigo doing well. Fields are under preparation for *bhadoi* and *aghani*.
32	Chumparun „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; easterly wind prevails. Sowing of *bhadoi* and *aghani* in progress. Prospects good. Indigo coming on well.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr May 12, '88	0·02	Weather—very hot and occasionally cloudy. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* crops. More rain wanted.
34	Bhagulpur „ 12, '88	1·06	There was a short but severe storm with hail on 9th. Weather cooler since. Sowing of *bhadoi* crops is in progress in north. Mango crop further damaged. Indigo improving. Sugarcane doing well.
3	Purneah „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—warm; cloudless still. All crops doing well. *Aghani* sowing in progress.
36	Maldah „ 12, '88	0·48	Weather—fine with occasional clouds. Harvesting of *boro* paddy continues. *Bhadoi* sowings going on. Some injury to *boro* crop by hail reported from thanas Shibgunge and Gomastapur. Other crops doing well, as there has been rain more or less throughout the district. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ..	0·07	
	Shibgunge ...	0·83	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 12, '88	0 84	Weather—hot. One sharp storm with wind and hail on the 7th. Rain in east, hardly any in south-west and north-west, none in Deoghar. Sugarcane and mangoes need rain badly on Deoghor side. *Borodhan* and indigo doing well in east. Ploughing begun.
	Godda ...	0·20	
	Rajmahal ...	0 58	
	Jamtara ...	0·16	
	Pakour ...	1·12	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack May 11, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings and evenings cool; middays extremely hot. Rain much wanted for next crop throughout the district. *Dalua* rice being harvested. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain is urgently needed for sowing *sarad* crops. *Dalua* crop is still being harvested. Common rice, 23 seers 8 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 23 seers 14 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division The Sub-divisional Officer of Khoorda reports "tanks, springs, and wells drying up everywhere, and great inconvenience experienced in many places for want of water. Old and weakly cattle are dying for want of pasture and water."
40	Balasore „ 11, '88	0·14	Weather—hot. Rain much wanted. Ploughing and sowing of rice in progress.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh, May 11, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. Sugarcane doing well. Mango promising. Lands being prepared for coming crops. Prices of food-grains rising in several thanas.
42	Lohardugga „ 12, '88	0·41	Slight rain on the 8th Weather now very hot. More rain urgently wanted. No crops to report on.
43	Singbhoom „ 11, '88	0·32	Weather—rain has made it cooler, but it is still very muggy. No crops to report on. Land being ploughed and highland rice being sown in some places where rain has been sufficient.
44	Manbhoom „ 12, '88	0·92	Weather—hot, with east winds. Rain has done good, and fields are being
	Govindpur ...	0·12	prepared for cultivation. Sugarcane plants are beginning to sprout.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 12th May 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 19th May 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan May 19, '88	0·30	Weather—hot and cloudy. State and prospects of crops fair. Ploughing going on. Common rice 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·33	
	Cutwa ...	0·40	
	Raneegunge ...	0·04	
2	Bankoora „ 19, '88	1·50	Weather—seasonable. Fields are being ploughed for *aus* crop. Sugarcane, cotton and indigo thriving. More rain wanted. No appreciable change in the rice market.
3	Beerbhoom „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Ploughing and manuring only going on.
4	Midnapur „ 19, '88	0·15	Some storms at head-quarters, but in the Ghatal and Contai Sub-divisions weather has been very hot and dry. Rain wanted generally for cultivation.
5	Hugli „ 18, '88	1·60	Weather—stormy. Prospects of crops good so far.
	Serampur ...	0·20	
	Jehanabad ...	0·93	
	Howrah „ 22, '88	1·68	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops satisfactory. More rain wanted.
	Ooloobería ...	0·27	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. May 22, '88	1·12	Weather—sultry. Sowing of jute and *aus* still continues. Sugarcane doing well.
7	Nuddea „ 19, '88	0·11	Weather—sultry and stormy. *Aus* sowings almost completed; a good area under seed. General tillage is in progress. Seedlings are good.
	Kooshtea ...	0·10	
	Ranaghat ...	0·48	
8	Khoolna „ 19, '88	0·20	Weather—hot sun, but some breeze. *Boro* rice still being harvested. *Aus* being sown. *Til* promises well.
9	Jessore „ 19, '88	0·28	Weather—very hot and occasionally cloudy. Sowing of both *amun* and *aus* still going on. Harvesting of *boro* nearly completed. Prospects good.
	Bongong ...	0·95	
10	Moorshedabad „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot, though cloudy at intervals. *Amun* and *aus* being sown.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur May 19, '88	1·33	Weather—sultry. *Dhan* cultivation in progress. Prospects good.
	Thakurgaon ...	0 15	
12	Rajshahye „ 19, '88	0·30	Weather—cool and sultry by turns. Rain has done good to crops. Average price of rice in the district nearly 23 seers per rupee.
	Nattore ...	0·70	
	Nowgong ...	0·84	
13	Rungpur „ 19, '88	.....	Weather—showery and favourable for crops. *Amun* being sown. Prospects of jute and *aus* continue good.
	Nilphamari ...	0·47	
	Gaibandha ...	2·41	
14	Bogra „ 19, '88	0 51	Weather—sultry State and prospects of crops excellent.
	Sherpur ...	0·96	
	Nowkhilla ...	1·09	
15	Pubna „ 19, '88	0·76	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Prospects of crops good.
	Serajgunge ...	1·17	
16	Darjeeling „ 19, '88	0·76	Passing showers. Prospects of crops fairly good.
17	Julpigoree „ 19, '88	2·20	Weather—hot and cool by turns. Standing crops doing well. Condition of sugarcane good. Lands are being prepared for winter rice. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca May 19, '88	1·61	Weather—hot and dry. *Amun* and *aus* paddy being sown on high lands. *Aus* and jute are thriving. Prospects continue favourable. Rivers rising.
	Munshigunge ...	0·10	
	Naraingunge ...	0·18	
19	Furreedpur „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Sowing of paddy and jute going on. Prospects good.
	Backergunge „ 17, '88	0·26	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
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21	Mymensingh „ 18, '88	3·14	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·67	
	Attia ...	0·85	
	Netrokona ...	2·15	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*				
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**			
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong	May 22, '88	5·81	Weather—seasonable. Sowing of *pania aus* continues. Prospects fair. Prices stationray.
23	Noakholly	„ 18, '88	3·97	Weather—warm. Heavy rain on 15th. Sowing of *aus* going on. Prospects good.
	Fenny	...	0·80	
24	Tipperah	„ 17, '88	0·82	Weather—rather cooler than usual at this time of the year. *Aus* and *amun* being sown and transplanted. *Til* and chillies being harvested with fair outturn. Prospects all round good.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts.	„ 15, '88	0·45	Weather—extremely hot during the first six days of the week. Heavy storm with rain on the 15th. Sowing in *jums* continues. Planting of sugarcane is completely over, and plants are thriving well.
	Hill Tipperah	„ 16, '88	Nil	Weather not settled; stormy. Early rice still being sown. Cultivation of *jums* continues.
BEHAR.				
Patna Divn. 26	Patna	May 19, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close. A slight shower of rain on the 17th. All *rubbi* crops threshed and stored. *Cheena* being sown. Reaping of *boro* rice going on. Prices of food-grains stationary.
	Bark	...	0 25	
27	Gya	„ 19, '88	A few drops of rain on 17th	Weather—cloudy. Harvesting of *rubbi* completed. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad	„ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot. East and west winds prevailing alternately. *Cheena* and sugarcane being irrigated and doing well.
29	Durbhunga	„ 19, '88	1·91	Weather—seasonable. Rain has done much good to early rice, *moong* and indigo, and prospects are favourable. Price of common rice averages 18 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Strong easterly winds in first part of week. Threshing of *rubbi* crops completed. *Dhan, moong,* and *cheena* thriving.
	Sitamarhi	...	0·75	
31	Sarun	„ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Easterly wind prevails. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and *aghani* crops. Prospects of sugarcane and indigo excellent.
32	Chumparun	„ 19, '88	0·04	Weather—hot. Indigo and *cheena* doing well. Sowings of *bhadoi* and *aghani* going on. Prospects good.
	Bettia	...	0·14	
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr	May 19, '88	1·25	Weather—hot and sultry with east winds. Rain has done much good. Ploughing of lands for *bhadoi* crops going on.
34	Bhagulpur	„ 19, '88	1·86	Weather—rather stormy and cooler. Rain has been very beneficial. Ploughing and sowing in progress. Prospects good.
3	Purneah	„ 19, '88	0·14	Weather—warm in day-time, cool at night. All crops doing well.
	Arrareah	...	0·80	
3	Maldah	„ 19 '88	.....	Weather—warm and cloudy. Rain on 17th. *Boro* rice being harvested. Sowing of *bhadoi* crops not yet completed. All other crops doing well. Common rice selling at an average of 23 seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs.	„ 19, '88	0 10	Good rain throughout district, except in Doomka and Deoghur; none in Deoghur. Winds variable. *Boro dhan* being cut. Ploughing for rice begun. Indigo doing well. Sugarcane doing fairly, but wants rain.
	Deoghur	...	Nil	
	Godda	...	0·75	
	Rajmahal	...	0·95	
	Pakour	...	0 76	
	Jamtara	...	0·71	
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack	May 18, '88	0·23	Weather—hot and occasionally cloudy. Rain of 17th was slight and of no practical use. Price of rice stationary.
39	Pooree	„ 17, '88	1·05 (On night of 16th).	Weather—seasonable. Rain favourable to ploughing of lands for ensuing *sarad* crop. *Dalua* crop being harvested. Rain urgently required in Khoorda. Common rice 23 seers 5 chittacks per rupee in the Sadar sub-division and 23 seers 1 chittack in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore	„ 18, '88	0·34	Weather stormy. Much wind, but little rain. More rain wanted for rice sowings and for cultivation of land.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
	South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh	May 18, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. No crops to report about except sugarcane, which is doing well. Rain in the south of the district. Lands being prepared for next crops. Prices of food-grains rising in some thanas.
42	Lohardugga	„ 19, '88	0·09	Weather—cloudy; very hot. Rain urgently wanted. No crops to report on.
43	Singbhoom	„ 18, '88	0·01	Weather—muggy and stormy, but no rain. *Dhan* being sown. Sugarcane doing well.
44	Manbhoom	„ 19, '88	0·8	Weather—rain at intervals. Clouds hanging about. Sugarcane growing. No other crops on the ground. Price of rice stationary.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 19th

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 26th May 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan May 26, '88	0·40	Weather—hot with high winds. Prospects good. Ploughing going on. More rain wanted. *Common rice 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·20	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Raneegunge ...	0·22	
2	Bankoora „ 26, '88	0·27	Weather—hot and cloudy. Indigo, cotton and sugarcane doing well. Fields being ploughed, but more rain wanted. Sowing of *aus dhan* commenced.
3	Beerbhoom „ 26, '88	1·08	Weather—much cooler. Storms passing about. Sugarcane very promising. *Til* benefited by rain. Ploughing going on favourably.
	Rampur Haut ...	1·18	
4	Midnapur „ 26, '88	1·61	Weather—hot A heavy storm at head-quarters on the 25th. Sowing season has commenced; rain wanted.
5	Hugli „ 6, '88	0 23	Weather—normal. Agricultural operations are in full progress and the season has been so far favourable.
	Jehanabad ...	0· 9	
	Howrah „ 26, '88	0·74	Weather—seasonable. More rain wanted for transplanting.
	Oolooberia ...	0·83	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergns. May 29, '88	1·01	Weather—hot and cloudy with high winds. Standing crops prosper. Sowing and ploughing going on.
7	Nuddea „ 26, '88	0·60	Weather—very sultry and stormy. *Aus* sowings are complete. Weeding is in progress. More rain required throughout the district. Indigo good.
	Kooshtea ...	1·11	
	Meherpore ...	1·84	
	Chooadanga ...	1·34	
	Ranaghat ...	0·23	
8	Khoolna „ 26, '88	0·85	Weather—cool breeze; warm sun. *Boro* harvest still continues. *Aus* being sown and also *amun* in Bagirhat. Prospects fair, but more rain wanted.
9	Jessore „ 26, '88	0·54	Weather—hot with slight rain. Paddy sowings over. Harvesting of *boro* nearly completed. Prospects good.
	Jhenidah ...	0·98	
	Magurah ...	2·43	
	Narail ...	1·21	
10	Moorshedabad „ 26, '88	1 25	Weather hot and cloudy at intervals, *Aus* and *amun dhan* doing well. Sowings have not yet been completed.
	Lalbagh ...	0·89	
	Jangipur ...	1·22	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur May 26, '88	4·32	Weather—cool since the rain. Crops progressing favourably.
	Thakurgaon ...	1·95	
12	Rajshahye „ 26, '88	0·05	Weather—cloudy with high winds. Sowing of *aus* and *amun* almost finished. Cutting of *boro* paddy has commenced.
	Nattore ...	2·40	
	Nowgong ...	0·45	
13	Rungpur „ 26, '88	6·54	Weeding retarded by heavy rain. *Amun* being planted out. Prospects generally good.
	Kurigram ...	0·94	
	Nilphamari ...	5·16	
	Gaibandha ...	1·37	
14	Bogra „ 26, '88	4·00	Weather—rather close and warm during the first five days of the week. A severe thunder-storm on the night of 24th with heavy rain. Cultivation of *buna amun*, *aus* and jute going on. Sugarcane and *kherachi* doing well. *Kaoni* is in ear. *Til* bearing pods.
	Sherpur ...	0·75	
	Nowkhilla ...	3·02	
15	Pubna „ 26, '88	1·59	Weather—stormy and hot. *Boro dhan* is being reaped. *Amun* and jute are coming up well.
	Serajgunge ...	2·08	
16	Darjeeling „ 26, '88	1·16	Weather—sultry with passing showers. Crops progressing favourably.
17	Julpigoree „ 26, '88	1·52	Rain during first five days of week. Clouds hanging about. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca May 26, '88	Rainfall return not received.	Weather—very hot. *Til* seeds being cut; outturn good. Jute and paddy plants thriving. Rivers rising.
	Manickgunge ...	2·87	
19	Munshigunge ...	1·26	
	Furreedpur „ 26, '88	1 79	Weather—seasonable; hot and stormy by turns. Prospect and condition of crops continue satisfactory.
20	Goalundo ...	0 75	
	Backergunge „ 25, '88	0·18	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 25, '88	3·92	Weather—hot; heavy rain last night (24th) at the sudder station. Prospects of crops good. Rivers rising.
	Jamalpur ...	4·45	
	Kishorgunge ...	6·46	
	Attia ...	0·34	
	Netrokona ...	2·96	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong May 29, '88	1·27	Weather—seasonable. Lands being prepared for *aman* crop. Prospects fair. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly ,, 25, '88	1·19	Weather—seasonable. Sowing of *aus* nearly completed. Seedlings generally doing well. Prospects of betelnuts and cocoanuts good.
	Feuny ...	0·82	
24	Tipperah ,, 24, '88	0·82	Weather—hot; generally sunny. Chillies and *til* somewhat injured by excessive moisture at the beginning of the month. *Boro* rice giving good outturn. Prospects generally good.
	Brahmanbariah	2·97	
	Chandpur ...	0 25	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. ,, 22, '88	2·11	Weather—very hot and unsettled. Sowing in *jums* continues. Sugarcane doing well.
	Hill Tipperah ,, 23, '88	2·73	Weather—hot. Early rice not doing well, more rain wanted. Chillies gathered. *Jums* continue to be cultivated.
BEHAR.			
Patna Div. 26	Patna May 26, '88	0·02	Weather—hot; east winds prevailing. *Cheena* and sugarcane doing well. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and *aghani* crops. Prospects of mango continue good.
27	Gya ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and very hot. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot. East wind prevails. Prospects of sugarcane and *cheena* continue favourable. Mangoes promise well.
	Buxar ...	0·31	
29	Durbhunga ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—east wind prevailing. Prospects of early rice, sugarcane and indigo continue favourable. Rain is wanted for *bhadoi* sowings. Common rice selling at an average of 18½ seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur ,, 25, '88	0·11	Weather—hot with east wind; occasional storms. Fields being prepared for *bhadoi* and paddy sowings. Prospects of early rice and other crops on the ground excellent.
	Sitamarhi ...	0·05	
31	Sarun ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close. Prospects of crops on the ground favourable. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and *aghani*.
	Gopalgunge ...	0·40	
32	Chumparun ,, 27, '88	1·75	Weather—very hot. Rain has benefited and facilitated sowings of *bhadoi* and *aghani*. Prospects favourable. Indigo doing well.
	Bettia ...	1·55	
Bhagulpore Div. 33	Monghyr ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and sultry; east winds prevailing. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* crops. *Cheena* is being sown on deara lands. Rain very much wanted in Jamui for ploughing of lands for ensuing crops.
	Begusarai ...	0·02	
34	Bhagulpur ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—cooler with east wind. Sowing of *bhadoi* crops continues and lands are being ploughed. Prospects good.
35	Purneah ,, 26, '88	1·23	Weather—bright, with cool easterly breezes and occasional showers. All crops promise well.
	Kishengunge ...	3·46	
36	Maldah ,, 26 '88	Nil	Weather—hot and fine. *Boro* harvest in progress; outturn good. Rain still much wanted for *bhadoi* and *haimanti* crops. Average price of common rice 23 seers per rupee.
	Gajole ...	0·66	
37	Sonthal Perghs. ,, 26, '88	0 42	Weather—cloudy with slight showers. Occasional thunder storms. Ploughing and sowing of early rice and *jenera* going on in places, but thrown back for want of rain. Indigo doing well. Rain urgently wanted for mango and sugarcane in Deoghur.
	Deoghur ...	0·15	
	Rajmahal ...	0·04	
	Pakour ...	0 05	
	Godda ...	0·59	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divs. 38	Cuttack May 24, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and cloudy. Heavy rain in the Kendraparah sub-division last week has facilitated ploughing. Rain wanted elsewhere. Price of rice unchanged.
39	Pooree ,, 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable with occasional clouds. Sowing of *sarad* crops has commenced. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Common rice 22 seers 2 chittacks per rupee in the sudder sub-division and 21 seers 4 chittacks in the Koordah sub-division.
	Koorda ...	0·13	
40	Balasore ,, 25, '88	1·74	Weather—hot with local storms. The rainfall has been very beneficial in the north of the district, where rice sowings are in active progress, but rain is urgently wanted in the Bhudruck sub-division, where none has fallen.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divs.	Hazaribagh May 25, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and dry. *Goondli* and paddy are being sown in places. Sugarcane doing well. No other crops to report on.
42	Lohardugga ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and windy; very hot in the first part of the week: now a little cooler with strong westerly but damp wind. Rain urgently wanted.
43	Singbhoom ,, 25, '88	0·15	Weather—intensely hot. A little rain in eastern part of district. Sugarcane doing well. *Dhan* being sown.
44	Manbhoom ,, 26, '88	Nil	Weather—clouds hanging about. Sugarcane growing. Lands are being prepared for cultivation.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 26th May 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 2nd June 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
	Burdwan Divn.		
1	Burdwan June 2, '88	0·04	Weather—exceedingly hot. Prospect fair. Common rice 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·80	
	Cutwa ...	0·80	
	Raneegunge ...	0·72	
2	Bankoora „ 2, '88	0·70	Weather—hot and cloudy. Sugarcane, cotton, and indigo thriving. *Khoshta til* is being reaped. *Boro dhan* is being cut. Sowing of *aus dhan* has commenced. More rain wanted. No change in the rice market.
3	Birbhum „ 2, '88	0·54	Weather—cool, cloudy, and showery. Ploughing going on favourably. *Til* looking well.
	Rampur Haut ...	1·68	
4	Midnapur „ 2, '88	1·65	Rain-storms have been general, and the air is rather cooler. Ploughing going on all over the district, and sowing commenced in some parts.
5	Hugli „ 2, '88	1·50	Weather—cool and showery. Prospects so far favourable.
	Serampore	2·80	
	Jehanabad ...	1·44	
	Howrah „ 4, '88	2·39	Weather—frequent nor'-westers with rain. State and prospects of crops good.
	Oolooberia ...	2·15	
	Central Districts.		
	Presidency Divn.		
6	24-Perghs. June 5, '88	1·38	Weather—hot and unsettled. Prospects of crops good. More rain wanted. Sowing and ploughing continue.
7	Nuddea „ 2, '88	0·30	Weather—very hot and changeable. *Aus* sowings completed; weeding in progress. Indigo said to be good. Rain wanted.
	Kooshtea ...	0·50	
	Meherpore ...	1·83	
	Chooadanga ...	1·03	
	Ranaghat ...	0·84	
8	Khoolna „ 2, '88	1·31	Weather—sultry. Harvesting of *boro* rice continues. Ploughing for *aus* and *amun* crops in progress. *Til* promises well.
9	Jessore „ 2, '88	0·44	Weather—very hot. Rain wanted for *aus* and other crops of the season.
	Jhenidah ...	0·24	
	Bongong ...	0·25	
10	Moorshedabad „ 2, '88	0·91	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals. *Amun* still being sown. *Aus* and *amun* plants that have come up are doing well.
	Lalbagh ...	1·76	
	Kandi ...	1·71	
	Rajshahye Divn.		
11	Dinagepur June 2, '88	9·07	Weather—rainy with storms. Sowings progressing. Prospects favourable.
	Thakurgaon ...	3·46	
12	Rajshahye „ 2, '88	0·43	Weather—cool and cloudy. Sowing of *aus* and *amun* paddy nearly complete. Harvesting of *boro* paddy going on. Condition of *til*, jute, and sugarcane good.
	Nattore ...	1·10	
	Nowgong ...	2·57	
13	Rungpur „ 2, '88	3·23	Weeding of crops prevented by rain. Fine weather required.
	Nilphamari ...	3·18	
	Gaibandha ...	8·22	
14	Bogra „ 2, '88	7·62	Weather—stormy. Crops in a good and advanced state.
	Sherpur ...	5·41	
	Nowkhilla ...	5·56	
15	Pubna „ 2, '88	0·45	Weather—cloudy and a slight storm almost daily. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Serajgunge ...	6·49	
16	Darjeeling „ 2, '88	2·66	Daily showers; weather cloudy. Prospects good. Potatoes and *bhutta* harvested in some places. Paddy being transplanted.
17	Julpigoree „ 2, '88	1·04	Weather—seasonable. Sowing of *bhadoi* nearly over; that of *haimanti* in progress. Standing crops doing well.
	Eastern Districts.		
	Dacca Division.		
18	Dacca June 2, '88	Rainfall return not received.	Weather—hot and cloudy. Harvesting of *til* nearly completed; outturn good. Paddy and jute plants thriving. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	2·13	
	Munshigunge ...	1·18	
	Naraingunge ...	2·16	
19	Furreedpur „ 2, '88	0·82	Weather—seasonable. *Jali dhan* and *til* harvest going on; outturn fair. Jute and paddy on the ground thriving. Rivers rising.
	Goalundo ...	0·62	
	Madaripur ...	0·11	
20	Backergunge „ 1, '88	0·85	Weather—hot. Prospect of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 1, '88	11·35	Rain throughout the week all over the district. Heavy and incessant rain is reported to have damaged *aus* and jute crops to some extent.
	Jamalpur ...	7·12	
	Kishorganj ...	11·20	
	Attia ...	2·33	
	Netrokona ...	9·69	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*				
		***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong ... June 5, '88	3·18	Weather—hot. Cultivation in progress. Prospects fair. Prices unchanged.
	23	Noakholly ... „ 1, '88	0·74	Weather—generally hot and close with occasional showers. Sowing of *aus* nearly finished. Lands being prepared for *amun*. Prospects generally good. Betel-nuts and cocoanuts doing well.
		Feuny ...	2·52	
	24	Tipperah ... May 31, '88	4·33	Weather—seasonable, with occasional heavy falls of rain. State and prospects of crops are all that could be desired; the rain has not come amiss.
		Brahmanbariah	5·04	
		Chandpur ...	1 10	
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 29, '88	3·11	Weather—hot and steamy throughout the week with heavy thunderstorms chiefly at night. Sowing in *jums* still continues.
		Hill Tipperah „ 31, '88	9·51	Weather—rainy. Early rice has somewhat suffered from excessive rain. *Jum* cultivation continues.
BEHAR.				
Patna Divn.	26	Patna ... June 2, '88	1·04	Weather—sky overcast, and rain with strong wind from north-west. Rain has benefited and facilitated sowing of *bhadoi*. Lands are being ploughed.
		Barh ...	1·20	*Cheena* is now being sown vigorously in the Barh sub-division. Mango crop promises well.
		Behar ...	1·49	
	27	Gya ... „ 2, '88	0·04	Weather—cloudy. Sugarcane being irrigated. Sowings of paddy begun.
	28	Shahabad ... „ 2, '88	1·02	Weather—cooler than before on account of rain. East wind prevails. Sugarcane and *cheena* doing well. *Marua* being sown.
		Buxar ...	0·30	
		Sasseram ...	0·23	
		Bhobuah ...	0·50	
	29	Durbhunga „ 2, '88	3·25	Weather—cloudy. Prospects of early rice, indigo and *moong* continue very favourable. Rain has enabled the cultivators to prepare their lands for *bhadoi* sowings. Common rice selling at an average of 18½ seers per rupee.
	30	Mozufferpur „ 2, '88	2·13	Weather—cloudy and cool. Rain has been beneficial throughout the district. Prospects of standing crops excellent. Lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* and *aghani* crops.
		Hajeepur ...	1·20	
		Sitamarhi ...	1·50	
	31	Sarun ... „ 2, '88	1·65	Weather—fair occasionally; cloudy with slight showers. *Cheena* is being harvested. Prospects of sugarcane and indigo good. Lands continue to be prepared for *bhadoi* and paddy sowings.
		Sewan ...	0·50	
	32	Gopalgunge ...	0·81	
		Chumparun „ 2, '88	0·82	Weather—cloudy in the beginning of the week, latterly fair and hot. Sowings of *bhadoi* and *aghani* in full progress. Prospects of all crops above ground favourable.
		Bettia ...	0·95	
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr ... June 2, '88	1·88	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals with occasional storms. Rain has been beneficial. Ploughing and sowing of ensuing crops going on. Prospects good.
		Begusarai ...	1·02	
		Jamui ...	0·76	
	34	Bhagulpur „ 2, '88	2·89	Weather—fairly cool. More rain wanted in south In north rain rather too much for *moong* and low lands. *Bhadoi* sowings continue. Prospects good.
		Banka ...	0 51	
	35	Purneah „ 2, '88	2·85	Weather—cool and bright with occasional heavy showers. So far the rain has been beneficial to standing crops. An interval of fair weather desirable.
		Kishengunge ...	4·55	
		Arareah ...	1·63	
	36	Maldah „ 2 '88	0·71	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional heavy rain and high east wind. Harvesting of *boro* paddy still going on. *Haimanti* sowing in progress. Other crops doing well. Common rice selling at an average of 22½ seers per rupee.
		Chanchal ...	2·27	
		Shibgunge ...	0·86	
		Gajole ...	1·73	
	37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 2, '88	0·79	Weather—fairly cool; winds easterly with occasional showers and thunder. Rain everywhere; more wanted at Deoghur. Ploughing begun. Sugarcane in Jamtara doing well. *Boro dhan* in Rajmehal being cut; outturn 12 annas. Indigo doing well.
		Deoghur ...	1·05	
		Godda ...	1·30	
		Jamtara ...	1·83	
		Pakour ...	1·11	
		Rajmahal ...	1·18	
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack June 1, '88	2 87	Weather—still warm and close. Heavy shower on the 29th ultimo. This has done immense good. Ploughing and sowing commenced. Common rice sells at 18½ seers per rupee in town and 25 seers in the interior.
	39	Pooree ...	...	Report not received.
	40	Balasore „ 1, '88	3·23	Weather—storms almost every night. Rain pretty general all over the district. It has given a great impetus to cultivation of land and rice sowings. Sugarcane doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
		South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn.	42	Hazaribagh June 1, '88	0·79	Weather—cooler. Rain has fallen over greater part of district. Lands being ploughed. First sowings of paddy and *goondli* going on. Sugarcane doing well.
	43	Lohardugga „ 2, '88	1·80	Weather—cool. Heavy rain at head-quarters with strong wind and hail.
		Palamow ...	0·05	Land is being prepared for early paddy. No change in prices.
	44	Singbhoom „ 1, '88	1·95	Good rain during the week and storms daily; weather cool and pleasant in consequence. Rice being sown everywhere. Sugarcane doing well.
	45	Manbhoom „ 2, '88	1·24	Weather—warm, with storms nearly every day. Sugarcane growing. Ploughing is going on everywhere, and sowing has begun. Mango crop promises to be 12 annas.
		Govindpore ...	1·19	

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Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 9th June 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
	BURDWAN DIVN.		
1	Burdwan June 9, '88	1·82	Weather—bright, moist, and hot, with storms every evening. Prospects of crops good. Local showers have given sufficient rain for the present. Common rice stands at 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna	2·26	
	Cutwa ...	1·20	
	Raneegunge ...	0·90	
2	Bankoora ,, 9, '88	2·72	Weather seasonable. Cotton-pods are opening. *Khosta til* is being reaped. Sugarcane and indigo are coming on well. Sowing of *dhan* is proceeding. Prices continue unaltered.
3	Birbhum ,, 9, '88	1·20	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional rain. *Til* is being reaped. Sugarcane planting almost completed. Ploughing going on.
	Rampur Haut ...	2·19	
4	Midnapur ,, 9, '88	1·15	Weather—sultry in the day with storms towards evening and more or less rain. Sowing going on everywhere. Rain wanted in Contai for sowing.
5	Hugli ,, 9, '88	8·97	Weather—stormy Prospects of crops good so far.
	Serampur ...	2·98	
	Jehanabad ...	2·98	
	Howrah ,, 11, '88	1·58	Weather—very warm. State and prospects of crops good.
	Oolooberia ...	0·97	
	Central Districts.		
	PRESIDENCY DIVN.		
6	24-Perghs. June 12, '88	2·21	Weather—close and sultry; wind variable. Prospects of jute, *aus* and sugarcane satisfactory. Sowing continues.
7	Nuddea ,, 9, '88	3·13	Weather very sultry and stormy; wind changeable Crops in the ground reported good. Rain has done much good; still wanted in the north of district. *Boro* rice is being reaped. Manufacture of indigo has commenced.
	Kooshtea ...	0·52	
	Meherpur ...	2·62	
	Chooadanga ...	1·65	
	Ranaghat ...	3·08	
8	Khoolna ,, 9, '88	1·57	Weather—hot; one or two thunder-showers. Cultivation of *amun* in progress. *Aus* sown looks well *Til* promising.
9	Jessore ,, 9, '88	3·45	Weather—very hot in spite of several showers. Prospects of the standing crops have been bettered by the rain of the week. Harvesting of *boro* rice nearly completed, Cutting of *til* commenced.
	Jhenidah ...	2·04	
	Magoora ...	1·62	
	Narail ...	0·74	
	Bongong ...	1·45	
10	Moorshedabad ,, 9, '88	1·54	Weather—hot; evenings cloudy. Sowing of *amun dhan* progressing. Young *aus* plants are thriving.
	Lalbagh ...	1·72	
	Kaudi ...	3·27	
	RAJSHAHYE DIVN.		
11	Dinagepur June 9, '88	1·85	Weather—sultry. *Kowni* is almost ripe. Sowings of rice in progress. Prospects good.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·61	
12	Rajshahye ,, 9, '88	0·09	Weather—hot and cloudy. Sowing of *aus* and *amun* completed. Condition of *til*, jute, and sugarcane good.
	Nattore ...	0·46	
	Nowgong ...	0·77	
13	Rungpur ,, 9, '88	3·13	Weather—hot. *Amun* is being transplanted. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Nilphamari ...	1·87	
	Kurigram ...	1·01	
	Gaibandha ...	1·46	
14	Bogra ,, 9, '88	1·48	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good.
	Sherpur ...	0·13	
	Nowkhilla ...	2·82	
15	Pubna ,, 9, '88	2·03	Weather—cloudy and latterly rainy. Prospects of crops good. *Boro dhan* is still being reaped.
	Serajgunge ...	2·37	
16	Darjeeling ,, 9, '88	1·33	Weather—cloudy with a good deal of rain. Transplantation of rice going on. Prospects of other crops good.
17	Julpigoree ,, 9, '88	8·26	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional rain. Jute and sugarcane said to be good. *Bhadui* paddy and Indian-corn doing well. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
	DACCA DIVISION.		
18	Dacca June 9, '88	Rainfall return not yet received	Weather—hot. Jute and *amun* paddy thriving. *Aus* paddy and *til* are being harvested in low lands. On the whole prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·55	
	Munshigunge ...	0·81	
	Naraingunge ...	2·87	
19	Furreedpur ,, 9, '88	1·86	Weather—hot and showery. State of all crops good.
	Goalundo ...	1·55	
	Madaripur ...	2·38	
20	Backergunge ,, 8, '88	0·91	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh ,, 8, '88	1·37	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	2·21	
	Kishorgunge ...	4·91	
	Attia ...	1·07	
	Netrokona ...	1·58	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*					
		***Eastern Districts*—concld.**			
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong	June 12, '88	2·06	Weather—seasonable. Cultivation progressing. Prices stationary.
	23	Noakholly	„ 8, '88	2·97	Weather—warm with occasional rain. Sowing of *aus* completed. Lands for *amun* being prepared. Prospects generally good.
		Feuny	...	3·47	
	24	Tipperah	„ 7, '88	1·41	The rains seem to have set in rather early this year. Crops are coming on well except in the north of the district, where damage is reported to both jute and paddy from excessive rain.
		Brahmanbariah		5·75	
		Chandpur	...	3·30	
	25.	Chittagong Hill Tracts.	„ 5, '88	0·77	Weather—cloudy with occasional rain. Excessively hot throughout the week. Sowing still continues in some places.
		Hill Tipperah	„ 6, '88	2·80	Weather—hot. Preparation of lands for late rice has commenced. Early rice doing well. *Jum* cultivation continues.
BEHAR.					
Patna Divn.	26	Patna	June 9, '88	0·75	Weather—hot. *Bhadoi* crops begun to be sown. *Cheena* at places is coming up and looks well. Sugarcane doing well.
		Barh	...	0·80	
		Behar	...	0·48	
	27	Gya	„ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Sugarcane being irrigated. Sowings of paddy commenced.
	28	Shahabad	„ 9, '88	0·25	Weather—hot and close almost the whole week, latterly cloudy with strong easterly winds. Slight rain has fallen and done some good to standing crops—*cheena* and sugarcane. In places lands are being prepared for *bhadoi* sowings.
		Buxar	...	1·45	
		Sasseram	...	Nil	
		Bhabuah	...	0·22	
	29	Durbhunga	„ 9, '88	0·40	Weather—occasionally cloudy. Prospects of early rice, indigo and sugarcane continue very favourable. *Moong* is being collected. *Bhadoi* sowings in progress. Price of common rice averages 18½ seers per rupee.
	30	Mozufferpur	„ 9, '88	1·23	Several storms from north-west. Rain has been beneficial throughout the district. Prospects of standing crops excellent. *Bhadoi* sowings going on.
		Hajeepur	...	0·40	
		Sitamarhi	...	2·56	
	31	Sarun	„ 9, '88	0·34	Weather—seasonable. Sugarcane and indigo doing well. *Makai* sowings and *marua* transplantation commenced. Fields under preparation for *aghani*.
		Sewan	...	0·81	
	32	Gopalgunge	...	1·43	
		Chumparun	„ 9, '88	Rainfall figures not furnished	Weather—very hot; occasionally cloudy and rainy. Sowings of *bhadoi* and *aghani* in full swing. Indigo plants attaining maturity. Prospects excellent.
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr	„ 9, '88	0·62	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional slight showers. *Bhadoi* sowings going on vigorously. *Cheena* growing very well. Prospects generally good.
		Begusarai	...	0·70	
		Jamui	...	0·81	
	34	Bhagulpur	„ 9, '88	2·11	Weather—seasonable, but rain still deficient in south. All crops forward except indigo. Sowing and ploughing continue.
	35	Purneah	„ 9, '88	0·68	Weather—showery; very favourable for all crops.
		Kishengunge	...	2·13	
		Arareah	...	6·10	
	36	Maldah	„ 9, '88	0·50	Weather—warm. Heavy showers and occasional high east winds. Harvesting of *boro* paddy almost over. *Bhadoi* crops doing well. Sowing of winter paddy going on. Common rice selling at an average of 22½ seers per rupee.
		Chanchal	...	1·51	
		Shibgunge	...	0·28	
		Gajole	...	1·20	
	37	Sonthal Perghs.	„ 9, '88	1·35	Weather—hot and stormy with local rain. Ploughing goes on; also a little sowing of *dhan* and Indian-corn. Sugarcane doing well. Rain wanted in Deoghur, and in Rajmahal for indigo.
		Deoghur	...	0·05	
		Jamtara	...	0·47	
		Pakour	...	2·12	
		Rajmahal	...	0·79	
ORISSA.					
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack	June 8, '88	1·75	Weather—hot; cloudy at times. *Beali* and *sarad* rice being sown. Common rice sells at 18½ seers per rupee in town and 25 to 30 Balasori seers in the interior.
	39	Pooree	„ 7, ...	0·14	Weather—very hot. Sowing of *sarad* crop going on. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Miscellaneous crops doing well. Common rice 22 seers 2 chittacks per rupee in the sudder sub-division and 20 seers 13 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
		Khoorda		1·47	
	40	Balasore	„ 8, '88	0·72	Weather—stormy. Recent rain has been most favourable to rice cultivation in all parts of the district.
CHOTA NAGPORE.					
		South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn.	42	Hazaribagh	June 8, '88	0·20	Weather—unsettled; rain last night (7th). Rain wanted all over the district for agricultural operations. First sowings of paddy doing well; also sugarcane.
	43				
		Lohardugga	„ 9, '88	0·04	Weather—generally hot and close with slight showers. More rain wanted. Ploughing and sowing going on. Prices as before.
		Palamow	...	0·18	
	44	Singbhoom	„ 8, '88	0·44	Weather—cool and pleasant. Rain during the week and daily storms. Rice and Indian-corn being sown. Sugarcane doing well.
	45	Manbhoom.	„ 9, '88	1·59	Weather—comparatively cool, with clouds and rain. Sugarcane growing.
		Govindpore	...	0·65	Recent rain has done much good. Scarcity of drinking-water is felt in the north and centre of the district.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan June 16, '88	0·69	Weather—extremely hot with light breeze from the west. Prospects good. Sowings of the season nearly complete. Anxiety is felt at the absence of general rain. Common rice still 22 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·79	
	Cutwa ...	0·11	
	Raneegunge ...	2·43	
2	Bankoora „ 16, '88	0·10	Weather—sultry. Rain wanted for sowing of paddy throughout the district. If it does not rain soon, the seed-plants that are above the ground will die. No appreciable change in the rice market.
3	Birbhum „ 16, '88	0·77	Weather—very sultry.. Rain urgently needed for ploughing. Sugarcane thriving.
	Rampur Haut ...	0·58	
4	Midnapur „ 16, '88	0·04	Weather—extraordinarily hot, with high west wind. Rain wanted, as seedlings have commenced to dry up in some places. Indigo plants had made good progress, but the excessive heat has been unfavourable. Manufacture commences shortly.
5	Hugli „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—abnormally hot. State and prospects of crops good.
	Serampur ...	0·35	
	Jehanabad ...	2·35	
	Howrah „ 18, '88	Nil	Excessive heat. Rain greatly wanted. Paddy seedlings and jute suffering.
	Central Districts.		
6	24-Perghs. June 19, '88	Nil	Weather—abnormally hot and close. *Aus* rice, jute, and sugarcane doing well. Ploughing and sowing continue.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 7	Nuddea „ 16, '88	0·42	Temperature extremely high and hardly tolirable. In the north *boro* rice harvest still in progress. *Aus* rice wants rain badly, but reports are favourable. Indigo manufacture going on well. Rain urgently wanted everywhere.
	Kooshtea ...	Nil	
	Meherpur ...	0·24	
	Chooadanga ...	0·10	
	Ranaghat ...	0·28	
8	Khoolna „ 16, '88	0·03	Weather—oppressively hot. North-wester on afternoon of 15th. More rain wanted for young *aus* in Bagirhat; elsewhere it looks well. Cultivation in progress.
9	Jessore „ 16, '88	0·83	The week was very hot until yesterday (15th), when a good shower fell. Rain badly wanted. Harvesting of *til* going on. Sowing of *amun dhan* progressing. Young *aus* plants are thriving.
	Jhenidah ...	0·12	
	Magoora ...	4·22	
	Narail ...	0·04	
	Bongong ...	1·21	
10	Moorshedabad „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot. No rain during during the week, except a few drops on the 15th afternoon. Sowing of *amun* progressing. Young *aus* doing well.
	Lalbagh ...	0·05	
	Kandi ...	Nil	
	... ...		
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur June 16, '88	0·34	Weather—very hot. Sowings of *kaimanti dhan* continue. Prospects good.
	Thakurgaon ...	0·95	
12	Rajshahye „ 16, '88	0·32	Weather—close and sultry; occasionally cloudy. *Aus* and *amun* thriving well. Harvesting of *boro* nearly completed; that of *til* commenced. Prospects of jute very good.
	Nattore ...	1·45	
	Nowgong ...	0·88	
13	Rungpur „ 16, '88	0·57	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good. *Aus* is being reaped and *amun* sown.
	Kurigram ...	4·69	
	Nilphamari ...	1·37	
14	Bogra „ 16, '88	1·83	Weather—muggy. State and prospects of crops good.
	Sherpur ...	1·31	
	Nowkhilla ...	3·95	
15	Pubna „ 16, '88	0 37	Weather—cloudy, and latterly excessively hot. Prospects of crops promising.
	Serajgunge ...	1·73	
16	Darjeeling „ 16, '88	1·43	Weather—unusually hot and muggy. Transplanting of winter rice going on in Terai. Hill crops doing well. Prospects generally good.
17	Julpigoree „ 9, '88	8·26	
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION. 18	Dacca ...	Return not received.	Weather—hot. Jute and *amun* paddy thriving. *Aus* paddy in low lands and *til* are being harvested. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	2·18	
	Naraingunge ...	3·92	
19	Furreedpur „ 16, '88	0·73	Weather—very hot. Crops fair, but want of rain is beginning to tell on them a little.
	Goalundo ..	0·25	
	Madaripur ...	0·17	
20	Backergunge „ 15, '88	2·21	Weather—very hot. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 15, '88	2·79	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good, though somewhat damaged by unusually heavy rain.
	Jamalpur ...	1·50	
	Kishorgunge ..	2·52	
	Attia ...	1·48	
	Netrokona ...	1·92	

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL—*concluded*.				
		***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong June 19, '88	1·13	Weather—hot. Cultivation progressing. Prospects fair. Prices steady.
	23	Noakholly „ 15, '88	1·27	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops generally good.
		Feuny ...	2·02	
	24	Tipperah „ 14, '88	0·90	Weather—hot and showery. Crops are coming on well.
		Brahmanbariah	1·58	
		Chandpur ...	2·10	
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 12, '88	2·47	Weather—cloudy and rainy during the latter part of the week. Sowing in *jumi* over. Plants thriving well Sugarcane doing well.
		Hill Tipperah „ 13, '88	1·91	Weather—hot. Lands are being prepared for late rice. Chillies gathered Sugarcane doing well.
BEHAR.				
Patna Divn.	26	Patna June 16, '88	0·69	Weather—very hot. Rain very much wanted. Lands kept prepared for *bhadoi* sowings.
	27	Gya „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. *Bhadoi* and paddy being sown. Sugarcane being irrigated.
	28	Shahabad „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot and sultry. Standing crops—*cheena* and sugarcane—in good condition. Land being prepared for *bhadoi* sowings.
		Sasseram ...	0·40	
	29	Durbhunga „ 16, '88	3·20	Weather—sultry. Prospects of early rice and indigo still continue favourable. *Bhadoi* sowings in progress. Rain much needed. Prices remain stationary.
	30	Mozufferpur „ 16, '88	1·12	Weather—very hot and sultry. Cloudy to-day (16th). Sowing of *bhadoi* crops progressing rapidly. Rain urgently wanted.
		Hajeepur ...	1·13	
		Sitamarhi ...	0·40	
	31	Sarun „ 16, '88	0·19	Weather—hot and close; occasionally cloudy. *Makai* sowings and *marua* transplantation in progress. Prospects of sugarcane and indigo continue favourable. *Cleesa* being harvested; outturn good.
		Sewan ...	Nil	
	32	Gopalgunge ...	0·05	
		Chumparun „ 16, '88	1·16	Weather—excessively hot. Paddy sowings have come up well. Cutting of indigo plants has been commenced. Prospects good.
		Bettiah ...	0·76	
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr „ 16, '88	0·45	Weather—excessively hot and steamy throughout the week. *Bhadoi* sowings in progress. More rain urgently wanted, specially in south, for paddy sowings.
		Begu-serai ...	0·03	
		Jamui ...	1·24	
	34	Bhagulpur „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and oppressive. Ploughing going on. Rain wanted.
	35	Purneah „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—hot; occasionally overcast. All crops doing well.
		Kishengunge ...	Nil	
		Arrareah ...	0·13	
	36	Maldah „ 16, '88	0·04	Weather—sultry with occasional clouds. *Boro* harvest now over; outturn good. *Bhadoi* crops doing well. *Amun* sowing going on. More rain now wanted in thannas English Bazar, Maldah, Ratua and Nawabgunge. Common rice selling at an average of 23¼ seers per rupee.
		Chanchal ...	0·01	
		Shibgunge ...	0·86	
		Gajole ...	Nil	
	37	Sonthal Pergha. „ 16, '88	Nil	Weather—excessively hot and sultry. Rain wanted everywhere, especially in Deoghur. *Dhan* seedlings are drying. *Boro dhan* 12 annas.
		Deoghur ...	0·47	
		Rajmahal ...	0·60	
		Pakour ...	1·09	
		Godda ...	1·00	
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack June 15, '88	0·30	Weather—very hot; occasionally cloudy without much rain. Sowing of rice in progress in places. More rain urgently required. Price of rice rising.
	39	Pooree „ 14, '88	0·33	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice (*sarad*) sowing going on. *Dalua* crop is being harvested. Common rice 21 seers 13 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder Sub-division, and 20 seers 7 chittacks in Khoorda Sub-division.
		Khoorda	1·80	
	40	Balasore „ 15, '88	0·39	Weather oppressively hot. Rain urgently wanted. If it does not rain within a few days, much of the young rice will perish.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
		***South-West Frontier Agency*.**		
Chota Nagpore Divn.	41	Hazaribagh June 15, '88	0·27	Weather—bright and clear; very hot and dry. Rain wanted everywhere for early sowings of paddy. Sugarcane doing well.
	42	Lohardugga „ 16, '88	0·5	Weather—hot. Slight rain during the week. More rain urgently wanted. Rice and Indian corn being sown. Prices steady.
	43	Singbhoom „ 15, '88	1·23	Rain in the early part of the week. Sky clear. Weather intensely hot again. Rice being sown. Sugarcane doing well. Cotton being gathered.
	44	Manbhoom „ 16, '88	0·05	Weather—intensely hot. Rain badly wanted. Everywhere paddy seedlings are withering, and will suffer much unless the rains break soon. Sugarcane is growing. Rice sells at from 16 to 22 seers per rupee.
		Govindpore ...	Nil	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong June 26, '88	0·16	Weather—hot. Rain much wanted. Prospects of crops fair. Prices unchanged.
23	Noakholly " 22, '88	0·04	Weather—very hot and close. *Aus* plants and *amun* seedlings suffering from want of rain.
	Fenny ...	0·25	
24	Tipperah " 21, '88	0·60	Weather—hot and seasonable, but generally at this time of the year there is more rain. The crops are coming on; and if rain falls soon and in sufficient quantity, as is usual at this time of the year, all will be well.
	Bramunberia	2·68	
	Chandpur ...	0·70	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. " 19, '88	1·92	Weather—excessively hot and cloudy throughout the week, except the last day of the week, which was rainy. *Jum* crops are thriving well. Sugarcane plants are also doing well.
	Hill Tipperah " 21, '88	1·62	Weather—hot. Cultivation of lands for late rice continues. Prospects of sugarcane fair. *Jum* cultivation over.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna June 23, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and sultry. *Bhadoi* sowings stopped for want of rain. *Makai* plants withering. *Cheena* doing well.
	Barh ...	Nil	
	Behar ...	Nil	
	Dinapore ...	Nil	
27	Gya " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—intolerably hot. *Bhadoi* and paddy being sown. Sugarcane being irrigated.
28	Shahabad " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—exceedingly hot and sultry. Rain is much wanted for *bhadoi* sowings. Sugarcane and *cheena* promise well.
29	Durbhunga " 23, '88	0·27	Weather—hot. Rain is urgently required for the rice, *bhadoi*, and indigo crops. Agricultural operations are almost at a standstill. Price of common rice averages 19 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot. *Bhadoi* sowings continue, but progress slowly for want of rain. Rain urgently wanted.
31	Sarun " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close; occasionally cloudy, but no rain. Sugarcane doing well. Rain much wanted for indigo, paddy seedlings, *makai*, and *marua* transplantation.
32	Chumparun " 23, '88	0·54	Weather—very hot, close and occasionally cloudy. Transplantation of *marua* has begun, but more rain is needed. Mahai of indigo commenced.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and sultry; east wind blowing for the last two days of the week. Rain very urgently wanted everywhere. If it does not rain soon, the young seed-plants will die completely.
	Begusarai ...	Nil	
	Jamui ...	Nil	
34	Bhagulpur " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—abnormally hot and oppressive. The continued drought is seriously affecting the *bhadoi* crops of all kinds and delays completion of sowings. *Dhan* seedlings too are withering.
35	Purneah " 23, '88	0·03	Weather—hot, cloudy, indications of rain. Rain has fallen locally. All crops doing well. Rain needed.
	Kishengunge ...	Nil	
	Arrareah ...	Nil	
36	Maldah " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—excessively hot during early part of week; last two days cooler; sky overcast. *Bhadoi* crops and *amun* seedlings have begun to suffer for want of rain. In several places these have been injured more or less by the scorching heat. Common rice selling at an average of 22½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Pergns. " 23, '88	Nil	No rain, except one or two local showers. The drought does much damage to rice and *janera* seedlings.
	Godda ...	Nil	
	Rajmahal ...	Nil	
	Jamtara ...	0·08	
	Pakour ...	Nil	
	Dooka ...		
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack. June 22, '88	0·26	Weather—very hot. Paddy plants are coming out, but require rain. Price of rice rising high.
39	Pooree " 21, '88	0·80	Weather—sultry. Rain much wanted. Sowing of winter rice going on.
	Khoorda	0·12	Early rice promising. *Dalua* rice is being harvested. Common rice sells at 22 seers 3 chittacks (Calcutta weight) per rupee in the Sadar sub-division and 20 seers 7 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore " 22, '88	Nil	Weather—extraordinarily hot. Sowings stopped for want of rain. Rice seedlings suffering much from same cause.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh June 22, '88	Nil	Weather—intensely hot and dry. Paddy seedlings withering for want of rain. Scarcity of fodder and water beginning to be severely felt in parts of the district. Sugarcane requires rain. Prices rising.
42	Lohardugga " 23, '88	0·05	Weather—very hot and hazy. Rain urgently wanted. Water-supply is growing
	Palamow ...	Nil	scanty throughout the district. Seedlings withering. Prospects of crops gloomy. Cattle suffering for want of pasturage.
43	Singbhoom " 22, '88	Nil	Weather—intense heat, cloudy to-day (22nd). *Dhan* that had germinated and also Indian corn have suffered greatly for want of rain.
44	Manbhoom " 23, '88	Nil	Weather—intensely hot. The seedlings are every where withering for want of
	Govindpore ...	Nil	rain, Great scarcity of water in all parts of the district, and considerable distress in consequence.

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		Fenny ...	0·25	
	24	Tipperah — „ 21, '88	0·60	Weather—hot and seasonable, but generally at this time of the year there is more rain. The crops are coming on; and if rain falls soon and in sufficient quantity, as is usual at this time of the year, all will be well.
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		Chandpur ...	0·70	
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		Hill Tipperah „ 21, '88	1·62	Weather—hot. Cultivation of lands for late rice continues. Prospects of sugarcane fair. *Jum* cultivation over.
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		Behar ...	Nil	
		Dinapore ...	Nil	
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	35	Purneah — „ 23, '88	0·03	Weather—hot, cloudy, indications of rain. Rain has fallen locally. All crops doing well. Rain needed.
		Kishengunge ...	Nil	
		Arrareah ...	Nil	
	36	Maldah „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—excessively hot during early part of week; last two days cooler; sky overcast. *Bhadoi* crops and *amun* seedlings have begun to suffer for want of rain. In several places these have been injured more or less by the scorching heat. Common rice selling at an average of 22¼ seers per rupee.
	37	Sonthal Pergha. „ 23, '88	Nil	No rain, except one or two local showers. The drought does much damage to rice and *janera* seedlings.
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		Rajmahal ...	Nil	
		Jamtara ...	Nil	
		Pakour ...	0·08	
		Dooka ...	Nil	
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Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack. June 22, '88	0·26	Weather—very hot. Paddy plants are coming out, but require rain. Price of rice rising high.
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		South-West Frontier Agency.		
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	42	Lohardugga — „ 23, '88	0·05	Weather—very hot and hazy. Rain urgently wanted. Water-supply is growing scanty throughout the district. Seedlings withering. Prospects of crops gloomy. Cattle suffering for want of pasturage.
		Palamow ...	Nil	
	43	Singbhoom „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—intense heat, cloudy to-day (22nd). *Dhan* that had germinated and also Indian corn have suffered greatly for want of rain.
	44	Manbhoom — „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—intensely hot. The seedlings are every where withering for want of rain. Great scarcity of water in all parts of the district, and considerable distress in consequence.
		Govindpore ...	Nil	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 30th June 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
	Burdwan Divs.		
1	Burdwan June 30, '88	1·79	Weather—cool and overcast, but not wet. Rain has since fallen at Cutwa. The early rice and jute seedlings and the rice sowings, though injured by the drought, are safe for the present. More rain wanted.
	Culna ...	3·02	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Raneegunge ...	0·84	
2	Bankoora „ 30, '88	3·52	Weather—seasonable. Sufficient rain last week. Sowing of rice, which was interrupted for want of rain, has been resumed. Prices continue unaltered.
3	Birbhum „ 30, '88	3·19	Weather—cool and cloudy at Sudder; hot at Rampore Hât. Sugarcane has suffered severly and irretrievably from the drought. *Dhan* seedlings have also suffered, especially in the north. Transplantation not begun. Heavy rain on 28th and 29th has done good in the Sudder, but there was hardly any in the sub-division, and much more is urgently wanted everywhere. Prices rising.
4	Midnapur „ 30, '88	2·17	A local storm on 24th. On 28th heavy monsoon clouds and good rain. Rain again on 29th night. Some damage has been caused to the *aus* crop and to *amun* seedlings. As there was no water in the canal, even the protected area suffered. The drought prevented indigo manufacture being commenced, and all the leaves fell off the plant. The present weather is, however, very forcing.
5	Hugli „ 30, '88	3·02	Weather—cloudy. Some damage was done by the great heat to *aus*, jute and sugarcane, but prospects have improved with the recent rain.
	Jehanabad ...	2·26	
	Howrah July 2, '88	1·80	Weather—showery. Rain has done much good. If it continues, crops will do well.
	Oolooberia ...	1·75	
	Central Districts.		
	Presidency Divs.		
6	24-Perghs. July 3, '88	0·37*	The monsoon set in on the 27th June, and the weather has since been showery and comparatively cool. The recent rain has improved the prospects of the crops. More rain wanted. Ploughing and sowing continues
7	Nuddea June 30, '88	3·79	Weather—changeable and sultry. South-westerly winds prevail. In the Meherpur, Chooadanga and Ranaghat sub-divisions more rain is required for early rice, which has been much damaged in Chooadanga and Meherpur.
	Meherpur ...	0·31	
	Chooadanga ...	0·33	
	Ranaghat ...	1·18	
	Khoolna „ 30, '88	2·18	Weather—hot and clear till 27th afternoon, since which rains have set in. *Aus* promises well. Cultivation of *amun* in progress. More rain wanted for transplanting.
8			
	Jessore „ 30, '88	4·83	Weather—less warm and seasonable. The rain of the 27th June has done immense good to the standing crops, but more rain is still wanted in some parts of the district.
9	Jhenidah ...	1·03	
	Magoora ...	0·83	
	Narail ...	1·75	
	Bongong ...	0·75	
10	Moorshedabad „ 30, '88	1·74	Weather—Beginning of the week intensely hot. Rain of the 28th afternoon cooled down temperature. Sky overcast on the 29th evening, but no rain. *Aus* and *amun* plants suffering. Rain of the 28th will do good to some extent. More rain is sadly needed.
	Lalbagh ...	2·27	
	Kandi ...	0·86	
	Jangipur ...	1·08	
	Rajshahye Divs.		
11	Dinagepur June 30, '88	2·82	Weather—showery with a good deal of cloud. The showers during the week have been beneficial to the crops, but heavier rain will soon be wanted for transplantation. Jute has suffered in parts from short rainfall.
	Thakurgaon ...	3·86	
12	Rajshahye „ 30, '88	0·19	Weather—cooler since the rain; cloudy. Rain is urgently wanted. Paddy, jute, and *til* are drying up. Both *aus* and *amun* appear to have suffered everywhere from want of rain. Rice sells at 22½ seers per rupee.
	Nattore ...	0·80	
	Nowgong ...	1·40	
13	Rungpur „ 30, '88	4·23	Weather—cloudy with heavy showers of rain from time to time. Prospects of crops continue good. *Aus* is being reaped, and *hoimanic* transplanted.
	Nilphamari ...	6·75	
	Gaibanda ...	5·57	
	Kurigram ...	17·15	
14	Bogra „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and muggy at the beginning of the week; cooler and wet at its end. Jute, *aus* and broadcast *amun* already sown are good. Want of rain delays the sowing of *amun* for transplanting. This is most seriously felt in the south-west of the district. Price of rice stationary.
	Sherpur ...	0·25	
	Nowkhilla ...	1·01	
15	Pubna „ 30, '88	0·81	Weather—hot, cloudy, and latterly rainy. Prospects of crops continue good. Rain has done much good, but more is required.
	Serajgunge ...	1·04	
16	Darjeeling „ 30, '88	3·04	Weather—sultry. On the whole prospects are favourable.
17	Julpigoree „ 30, '88	12·92	The heavy rainfall of the week has cooled the weather. *Amun* seedlings doing well. Heavy rain has done much good to them. Jute and sugarcane promise well.
	Eastern Districts.		
	Dacca Division.		
18	Dacca „ 30, '88	3·52	Weather—first part of the week very hot and the latter part cloudy and rainy and much cooler. Jute and rice plants are thriving. Recent rain has done much good to the standing crops. Harvesting of jute commenced in parts of the Munshigunge sub-division; outturn expected to be good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·55	
	Munshigunge ...	2·44	
	Naraingunge ...	5·18	
19	Furreedpore „ 30, '88	5·46	Weather—very hot in the beginning of the week; now seasonable. Good rain has fallen during the week, and the prospects of all crops have been much improved.
	Goalundo ...	4·86	
	Madaripur ...	3·15	
20	Backergunge „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good. Rain is wanted.
21	Mymensingh „ 29, '88	1·61	Weather—hot and rainy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·6	
	Kishoregunge ...	2·70	
	Attia ...	Nil	
	Netrokona ...	6·21	

* Rainfall for week ending 30th June.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong July 3, '88	8·08	Weather—seasonable. Sowing of *aus* completed. *Amun* being sown in some places. Prospects of crops fair. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly June 29, '88	1·35	Weather—cloudy with occasional scanty rain. Some damage to *aus* is reported from Fenny and Begumgunge. The rains seem to have set in, and a few heavy showers will remove all anxiety.
	Fenny ...	0 82	
24	Tipperah „ 28, '88	1·82	Weather—seasonable. Rain, which was much wanted, has fallen, and prospects are good all round.
	Brahmunberia	1·49	
	Chandpur ...	0·20	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 26, '88	1·82	Weather—a heavy downfall of rain on the 25th; cloudy to-day (26th), with light showers. Sowing of paddy by plough cultivators has been retarded for want of sufficient rain.
	Hill Tipperah „ 27, '88	1·21	Weather—hot and cloudy. Lands still being prepared for *amun* paddy. Sugarcane not doing very well.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna June 30, '88	0·11	Weather—very hot and sultry. For want of rain *bhadoi* sowings have been stopped. *Makai* and *cheena* plants of the early sowings are withering for want of moisture. Rain urgently wanted Prices of grains are rising daily.
	Behar ...	Nil,	
	Barh ...	Nil,	
27	Gya „ 30, '88	3·02	Weather—hot and cloudy. Sowing of *bhadoi* and paddy begun. More rain urgently wanted.
28	Shahabad „ 30, '88	0·03	Weather—exceedingly hot and close, occasionally cloudy, but marked by total absence of rain Rain is badly wanted for sowing of *bhadoi* and rice. Sugarcane promises well, being watered from canal and wells.
	Buxar ...	0·28	
	Sasseram ...	Nil	
	Bhabuah ...	Nil	
29	Durbhunga „ 30, '88	0·66	Weather—close. The rain has done much good, but more is much wanted. Price of common rice averages 18 to 19 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 30, '88	1·00	Weather—very hot in first part of week; cooler during last three days. The protracted drought has done some damage to maize, paddy and indigo, but the rain, which has fallen during the latter part of the week, has done much good to the standing crops. More rain is wanted for transplantation of paddy.
	Hajeepur ...	Nil	
	Sitamarhi ...	0 60	
31	Sarun „ 30, '88	0·07	Weather—exceedingly hot and sultry. Rain is urgently required for the rice, *bhadoi* and indigo crops. Agricultural operations are almost at a standstill for want of rain.
	Sewan ...	0·13	
32	Chumparun „ 30, '88	1·44	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Rain has benifited the standing crops. *Murua* being transplanted and *makai* coming on. More rain is needed for paddy transplantation. Indigo-mahai progressing.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and sultry; occasionally cloudy with indications of rain. Sowings stopped for want of rain. *Makai* plants and other *bhadoi* crops are withering.
	Begusarai ...	Nil	
	Jamui ...	Nil	
34	Bhagulpur „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—a little cooler. The two northern sub-divisions have since date of their reports had some good rain, which will do much good, but on high lands the *murua*, early rice and late rice seedlings have suffered much. In south the *bhadoi* crop and rice seedlings, though freshened up, urgently require heavier rain.
	Banka ...	0·67	
	Mudehpurah ...	0·09	
	Soopole ...	0·17	
35	Purneah „ 30, '88		Weather—cloudy and not very hot. More rain is wanted in the south, where no appreciable mischief is done yet. Extremely favourable reports received from the north.
	Kishengunge ...		
	Arareah ...		
36	Maldah „ 30, '88	0·85	Weather—much cooler; sky overcast. *Bhadoi* crops and *amun* seedlings benefited by the rain. More rain wanted. Common rice 22¼ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	Nil	
	Shibgunge ...	1·30	
	Gajole ...	0 20	
37	Sonthal Pergha. C, '88	·57	Weather—close till 28th, when rain fell; still warm. Some good rain everywhere except at Deoghur, but too late, it is feared, to save the *janera* and early *dhan* already sown If good rain now comes, it is not too late to sow both over again; but more rain is urgently wanted, especially in Deoghur.
	Deoghur ...	0 22	
	Godda ...	1·60	
	Rajmahal ...	1·11	
	Jamtara ...	1·80	
	Pakour ...	1·37	
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack June 29, '88	Nil	Weather—extremely hot and sultry, cloudy at times but no rain, causing general anxiety, Agricultural operations retarded. *Beals* and *sarad* plants are dying in many places for want of rain. Prices rising.
39	Pooree „ 28, '88	1 14	Weather—hot. Winter rice (*sarad* crop) has germinated in some places. Early rice (*beali*) is being weeded. Miscellaneous crops of the season are doing well. The Sub-divisional Officer states—"Some paddy already sown has not yet germinated. Much of the first sowings will most probably fail, representing a loss of seed grain about one maund per acre, besides labour." Common rice 21 seers 13 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 19 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoorda	0·12	
	Balasore „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—somewhat cooler. Clouds but no rain except ·51 inch at Bhuddruck. Rice seedlings withering or dead for want of water. Rain urgently required.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh June 29, '88	1·04	Weather—very hot and dry. Rain last night (28th). Paddy seedlings withered. Sugarcane suffering. Severe scarcity of water and pasturage. Cattle enfeebled. Rain urgently wanted.
42	Lohardugga „ 30, '88	1·67	Weather—cloudy. Rain fell in the last three days of the week. More rain expected. Prospects of crops improving. Rain badly wanted in Palamow. where cattle are dying for want of pasture.
	Palamow ..	0·11	
43	Singbhoom „ 29, '88	0·54	Heat has been excessive. Slight rain on 23rd and 28th June. The *dhan* has suffered greatly and so also the Indian corn. If rain does not fall in a day or two, the whole crop (gora) will be lost.
44	Manbhoom „ 30, '88	1·72	Weather—cloudy and cool. The late rain has done good, but more is urgently
	Govindpore	1·02	wanted for the sowing. Prices are rising.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 30th June 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 7th July 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divs. 1	Burdwan July 7, '88	7·94	Weather—seasonable. Sufficient rain for the present. Prospects of crops favourable. Common rice about 21 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	6·40	
	Cutwa ...	3·64	
	Raneegunge ...	11·51	
2	Bankoora „ 7, '88	6·36	Weather—seasonable. Sowing and transplanting of both early and late rice are proceeding briskly in all parts of the district. Indigo and sugarcane are coming on well. Cotton is being gathered. No appreciable change in the rice market.
3	Birbhum „ 7, '88	2·52	Weather—cloudy and showery; cool. Sugarcane and *dhan* have been improved by the rain, and new seedlings have been planted. Ploughing progressing. Much more rain wanted.
	Rampore Haut ...	2·79	
4	Midnapur „ 7, '88	6·46	Sufficient rain everywhere, except in the south, where the fall has been very small. In the north-west rain has been very heavy. Some of the *aus* was withered, and in places may have to be resown, but the *amun* seedlings have not been much affected.
5	Hugli „ 7, '88	5·95	Weather—seasonable. Some irretrievable damage was done to jute, *aus*, and sugarcane by the heat and drought of the previous week, but it is not serious. Prospects of the above crops are now much improved, and those of other crops are now good.
	Serampur ...	3·99	
	Jehanabad ...	6·20	
	Howrah July 9, '88	3·18	Weather—rainy. State and prospects of crops improving.
	Oolooberia ...	5·62	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divs. 6	24-Perghs. July 10, '88	4·03	Weather—cloudy and rainy, but heat continues. The recent rain has improved the prospects of the crops, but more rain is still wanted. Ploughing and transplanting going on.
7	Nuddea „ 7, '88	3·76	Weather—cloudy. Rain fell throughout the district. It has done much good to *aus* rice, jute, sugarcane, and indigo.
	Kushtea ...	5·12	
	Meherpur ...	5·72	
	Chooadanga ...	4·59	
	Ranaghat ...	6·48	
8	Khoolna „ 7, '88	5·16	Weather—seasonable. Rain has done much good to *aus* crop and has furthered cultivation of *amun* crop. *Til* outturn 12 annas.
	Jessore „ 7, '88	7·74	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional showers. Rain has benefited standing crops. Indigo and *amun* are looking up. More rain wanted.
9	Jhenidah ...	6·42	
	Magoora ...	5·25	
	Narail ...	3·39	
	Bongong ...	1·90	
10	Moorshedabad „ 7, '88	4·00	Weather—hot and overcast with heavy showers of rain at intervals. Rain has done much good to the young *aus* and *amun* plants.
	Lalbagh ...	4·78	
	Kandi ...	4·98	
11	Dinagepur July 7, '88	3·61	Weather—hot with showers. Transplanting in progress. Prospects favourable.
	Thakurgaon ...	1·95	
Rajshahye Divs. 12	Rajshahye „ 7, '88	0·66	Weather—damp and disagreeable. Recent rain has done much good. Very little rain in the Sudder sub-division. Price of rice has not shown any further tendency to increase.
	Nattore ...	5·12	
	Nowgong ...	2·82	
13	Rungpur „ 7, '88	3·26	Weather—cloudy and showery. Some damage has been caused to *amun* seedlings in the Kurigram sub-division by excessive rain; otherwise prospects continue good.
	Kurigram ...	8·37	
	Nilphamari ...	5·37	
14	Bogra „ 7, '88	1·72	Weather—muggy with daily showers. If rain continues, standing crops will do well. Prospects fair in south-west and good elsewhere. Transplanting of *amun* begun. Outturn of *til* from 10 to 13 annas. Prices stationary.
	Sherpur ...	2·60	
	Nowkhilla ...	2·96	
15	Pubna „ 7, '88	6·74	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops moderately good. Rain has done much good.
	Serajgunge ...	3·62	
16	Darjeeling „ 7, '88	12·23	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops favourable.
17	Julpigoree „ 7, '88	2·88	Weather—cloudy with occasional rain. *Bhadoi dhan* is being cut in places. Jute is doing well. Ploughing for *haimanti* paddy in progress.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca „ 7, '88	2·07	Weather—mostly cloudy and cooler. Jute and paddy plants thriving. Harvesting of *aus* paddy in low lands nearly completed; that of jute going on in parts of the Munshigunge sub-division. Rivers are gradually rising. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	6·31	
	Munshigunge ...	8·83	
	Naraingunge ...	6·58	
19	Furreedpore „ 7, '88	4·85	Weather—seasonable. Owing to the rain of the last two weeks, prospects of all crops have improved, and are now satisfactory.
	Goalundo ...	5·42	
	Madaripur ...	4·63	
20	Backergunge „ 6, '88	7·13	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
21	Mymensingh „ 6, '88	4·21	Weather—hot. Rain all over the district. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	6·93	
	Kishoregunge ...	10·89	
	Attia ...	4·85	
	Netrokona ...	8·40	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong July 10, '88	5·25	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. Prices stationary.
	Cox's Bazar ...	Nearly 20 inches	
23	Noakholly „ 6, '88	9·61	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops have much improved. Transplantation of *amun* progressing.
	Feuny ...	5·83	
24	Tipperah „ 5, '88	4·15	Weather—rainy and seasonable. In north jute has been injured by excessive rain. In other parts of the district rain has done much good Paddy is flourishing everywhere.
	Brahmunberia .	9·85	
	Chandour ...	9·15	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 3, '88	2·1	Weather—cloudy with occasional slight rain. Prospects of *jum* paddy not good owing to drought. Rain badly wanted. Lands are being ploughed for late rice.
	Hill Tipperah „ 4, '88	4·27	Weather—rainy. *Amun* paddy being sown. *Jum* crops doing well. Prospects of sugarcane not bright.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna „ 7, '88	5·21	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings are being pushed on vigorously. The rain is however too late to do any good to deara *bhadoi* fields. Sugarcane promising well
	Barh ...	2·95	
	Dinapur ...	5·16	
	Behar ...	4·40	
27	Gya „ 7, '88	2 66	Weather—cloudy. Sowing of *bhadoi* and paddy going on. *Bhadoi* is being transplanted. Sugarcane doing well.
28	Shahabad „ 7, '88	4·70	Weather—cloudy and rainy with occasional breaks. The rainfall of last week has greatly improved agricultural prospects. *Bhadoi* sowings have commenced, and rice is being transplanted. Sugarcane is doing well.
	Buxar ...	4·21	
	Sasseram ...	4·32	
	Buabuah ...	3·97	
29	Durbhunga „ 7, '88	3·10	Weather—occasionally cloudy and close. Rainfall of the week has done immense good to the *bhadoi* crops, and to transplantation of rice. Rain still wanted. Price of common rice averages 18 to 19 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur ...		Report not received.
31	Sarun „ 7, '88	6·57	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Rain has contributed much to *bhadoi* and paddy sowings and to *marua* transplanting, and has benefited considerably indigo and sugarcane.
	Sewan ...	4·35	
	Gopalgunge ...	4·92	
32	Chumparun „ 7, '88	6·35	Weather—hot; often cloudy and rainy. Prospects of all crops improved by the rainfall of the present and past weeks. *Bhadoi* doing well. Transplantation of paddy commenced.
	Bettiah ...	5·88	
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr „ 7, '88	4 02	Weather—seasonable and cloudy with good showers at intervals. Rain has done immense good. Sowings, which were stopped for want of rain, have been resumed, and are going on busily.
	Begu-erai ...	2·49	
	Jamui ...	3·47	
34	Bhagulpur „ 7, '88	4·30	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of all crops much improved. Transplantation proceeding in north, and some lands being resown.
	Banka ...	1·85	
	Mudehpurah ...	3·05	
	Soopole ...	5·83	
35	Purneah „ 7, '88	4·93	Weather—fine with heavy showers. State and prospects of crops excellent.
	Kishengunge ...	3·18	
	Arrareah ...	4·34	
36	Maldah „ 7, '88	3·82	Weather—cloudy with showers of rain from time to time. Prospects of crops improving, but more rain wanted, especially in the north of the district. Rivers rising. Common rice selling at an average of 22¼ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	1 37	
	Shibgunge ...	3·78	
	Gajole ...	2·40	
37	Sonthal Perghs „ '88	3 37	Favourable rain. Heavy rain has fallen everywhere and has much improved the prospects of the crops. Resowings of *janera* and *dhan* are being carried on.
	Deoghur ...	6·08	
	Godda ..	4·88	
	Jamtara ...	7·18	
	Pakour ...	4·14	
	Rajmahal ...	3·16	
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack July 6, '88	0·85	Weather—somewhat cooler; small showers here and there; still sultry; clouds appear and go without a heavy shower. Prospects not yet cheering. Local showers have improved the state of crops in the sub-divisions. The state of things in the Sudder sub-division has not improved. Rivers have slightly risen. Prices rising.
39	Pooree „ 5, '88	0·73	Weather—hot. Rain is wanted for the first sowing of the winter rice crop (*sarad*). *Beali* is being weeded. Common rice 21 seers 12 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 19 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division. The Sub-divisional Officer reports—"The seedling are withering, and unless rain falls soon, the prospects of the paddy crop will be ruined."
	Khoordah .	1·22	
40	Balasore „ 6, '88	1·40	Weather—cloudy and cool. The rice crop has suffered much from the long drought, and in parts of the district one-third of it has died. There is now every appearance of rain, and if it comes in sufficient quantity, much of the land will be resown. Prices shew a tendency to rise.
CHOTA NAGPORE			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh July 6, '88	5·72	Weather—seasonable. Ample rain everywhere. Prospects greatly improved. Agricultural operations in full swing. Sowings being made. Sugarcane recovering.
42	Lohardugga „ 7, '88	6·90	Weather—cloudy. Rain throughout the district. Cultivation vigorously going on. Prospects of crops good.
	Palamow ...	8·66	
43	Singbhoom „ 6, '88	2·96	The regular monsoon has not yet set in, though rain falls almost daily towards the evening. It is too soon yet to form an opinion of the effect of the late rain on the nearly burnt up *gora* seedlings.
44	Manbhoom „ 7, '88	5·29	Weather—cloudy and cool. Abundant rain has fallen, and agricultural operations are everywhere going on. Paddy and *bhadoi* crops are being sown. Sugarcane is doing well.
	Gbvindpore ...	2·39	

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Rainfall, Weather. and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 14th July 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan July 14, '88	0·97	Weather—showery, with high east wind. State of early rice, jute and sugarcane moderately fair. Prospects of main rice crop good, but transplantation is retarded in the north-east for want of rain. Prices stationary.
	Culna ...	2·12	
	Cutwa ...	0·53	
2	Bankoora „ 14, '88	0·23	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good. Sowing of rice nearly finished. Transplantation proceeding more or less in all parts of the district. More rain wanted in thanas Bishenpore and Bankoora. Prices of rice have slightly risen.
3	Birbhum „ 14, '88	1·85	Weather—cloudy and cool. Hot at Rampore Haut. Sugarcane has been improved by the rain, but cannot thoroughly recover. *Aus dhan* prospects bad. *Amun dhan* seedlings saved by rainfall of this month, but much more rain wanted for transplantation.
	Rampore Haut ...	2·01	
4	Midnapur „ 14, '88	2·17	At Head-quarters good showers have fallen. In the south, in Contai and Tumluk, rain still holds off. Rain is wanted in the south to enable planting out of *amun* to be commenced. In Ghatal and Head-quarters transplanting is going on rapidly. There is a good supply of water for irrigation in the canal.
5	Hugli „ 14, '88	3·06	Weather—cloudy, with occasional showers. Prospects are now fair, but more rain is wanted for transplanting the *amun* rice.
	Serampur ...	1·74	
	Jehanabad ...	2·93	
	Howrah July 16, '88	1·80	
	Oolooberia ...	1·92	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops improving.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. July 17, '88	1·66	Weather—cloudy, with scanty rainfall. More rain wanted. Standing crops doing fairly well. Transplanting going on.
7	Nuddea „ 14. '88	0·73	Weather—cloudy. Hot in north of district; cooler in Sudder and Ranaghat. Rain sufficient except in Kushtea and Meherpore. Prospects fairly good in middle and south of district, but more rain is wanted in the north for the rice crop. Transplantation of rice and indigo manufacture going on.
	Kushtea ...	0·67	
	Meherpur ...	0·24	
	Chooadanga ...	2·17	
	Ranaghat ...	1·86	
8	Khoolna „ 14, '88	2·66	Frequent showers. Heavy rain on 9th. *Aus* promises well. Transplantation of *amun* rice in progress. Sugarcane and jute doing well.
	Jessore „ 14, '88	0·80	Weather cloudy, with occasional slight showers Rain has done much good to the young *aus* and *amun* plants; but more rain still wanted. Transplanting is in progress.
9	Jhenidah ...	0·43	
	Magoora ...	0·43	
	Narail ...	1·95	
	Bongong ...	0·60	
10	Moorshedabad „ 14, '88	0·65	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals with occasional rain. Prospects of *bhadoi* and *amun* favourable. Transplantation of *amun* has commenced, but more rain is wanted.
	Lalbagh ...	0·80	
	Kandi ...	1·36	
	Jungipur ...	0·50	
11	Dinagepur July 14, '88	1·66	Weather—showery, with a good deal of damp heat. More rain is wanted in parts for *haimanti* paddy; otherwise prospects favourable.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·93	
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 14, '88	0·96	Weather—sultry by day, but cool nights. Prospects better, but more rain wanted. It is estimated that, if rain continues to fall, *aus* may be a 12-anna crop. Condition of *amun*, jute, and sugarcane good in most places.
	Nattore ...	3·65	
	Nowgong ...	1·38	
13	Rungpur „ 14, '88	2·03	Weather—cloudy, with occasional drizzling. Rain wanted in the Gaibanda sub-division. Prospects of crops on the whole good. *Aus* continues to be reaped.
	Nilphamari ...	3·10	
	Kurigram ...	0·23	
	Gaibanda ...	1·42	
14	Bogra „ 14, '88	1·82	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops fair. Transplanting of *amun* still going on. More rain wanted. Prices stationary.
	Sherpur ...	1·38	
	Nowkhilla ...	2·74	
15	Pubna „ 14, '88	2·14	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue fairly good, but more rain is wanted. *Aus* is being reaped in some places.
	Serajgunge ...	2·00	
16	Darjeeling „ 14, '88	8·48	Weather—rainy and foggy. Crops doing well both in hills and plains. Prospects of jute in Silligoree favourable.
17	Julpigoree „ 14, '88	15·21	Weather—cloudy, with showers of rain all over the district. Transplanting of *haimanti* paddy begun. Jute is said to have been injured in some parts by excessive rain. Prices rather show a tendency to rise.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca „ 14, '88	0·68	Weather—mostly cloudy and hot. Harvesting of jute going on and that of *aus* paddy in low grounds nearly completed. *Amun* paddy thriving. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·96	
	Munshigunge ...	1·69	
	Naraingunge ...	1·02	
19	Furreedpur „ 14, '88	0·54	Weather—seasonable, but rainfall of the week insufficient. Prospects fair, but again very little rain has fallen.
	Goalundo ...	0·34	
	Madaripur ...	2·22	
20	Backerguuge „ 12, '88	3·93	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good except in the Bhola sub-division, where the reports are not so favourable.
21	Mymensingh „ 13, '88	1·54	Weather—hot and rainy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	1·27	
	Kishoregunge ...	0·49	
	Attia ...	1·05	
	Netrokona ...	5·84	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong July '88		Report not received.
23	Noakholly „ 13, '88	4·85	Weather—generally fair, with occasional showers. *Aus* is being reaped in some places. Transplantation of *amun* progressing. More rain wanted.
	Fenny ...	5·69	
24	Tipperah „ 12, '88	0·87	Weather—seasonable, but much less rainy than usual. State and prospects of the crops on the whole are good, but rain is much wanted in parts, especially in the east of the Sudder sub-division.
	Brahmunberia .	1·42	
	Chandpur ..	1·50	
25	Chittagong Hill „ 10, '88 Tracts.	1·55	Weather—cloudy, with occasional light showers of rain throughout the week. Prospects of *jum* paddy fairly good. Ploughing continues in low lands. Paddy plants in seed-beds progressing. Rain badly wanted for plough land.
	Hill Tipperah „ 12, '88	0·92	Weather—hot Cultivation for *amun* paddy continues Prospects of sugarcane and early rice fair.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 14, '88	1·48	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings going on. Rainfall sufficient for present demand.
	Dinapur ...	4·92	
	Barh ...	0·85	
27	Gya „ 14, '88	0·65	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Bhadoi* and paddy being sown. Indian-corn, *marua*, and sugarcane doing well.
28	Shahabad „ 14, '88	1·03	Weather—hot and cloudy, with occasional breaks. Recent rain has done much good, but more is wanted in the Sasseram sub-division. *Bhadoi* crops which have germinated are doing well. Prospects of sugarcane good. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	4·94	
	Sasseram ...	0·67	
29	Durbhunga „ 14, '88	0·92	Weather—occasionally cloudy. *Bhadoi* cultivation in progress, but more rain urgently wanted for *marua* and rice crops. Indigo manufacture has commenced. Price of common rice averages 18 seers per rupee.
Bhagulpore Divn. 30	Mozufferpur „ 14, '88	0·35	Weather—hot and cloudy. The break in the rains is favourable to agricultural operations. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops favourable. Transplantation of paddy progressing in Sitamarhi.
	Hagipur ...	3·06	
	Sitamarhi ...	2·10	
31	Sarun „ 14, '88	1·61	Weather—seasonable and cloudy, with showers at intervals. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings are in full progress. Prospects of all crops much improved by the rainfall of the present and past weeks.
	Sewan ...	1·56	
32	Chumparun „ 14, '88	0·60	Weather—hot and fair; occasionally cloudy. *Makai*, *marua* and other *bhadoi* crops doing well. Transplantation of paddy going on, but more rain still wanted on higher lands. Prospects good. Indigo *mahai* progressing.
33	Monghyr „ 14, '88	4·04	Weather—close and cloudy. The recent rain has generally improved the prospects of all crops, but more rain is wanted for the standing crops and for transplanting winter rice.
	Begusarai ...	1·62	
	Jamui ...	1·60	
34	Bhagulpur „ 14, '88	3·39	Weather—seasonable. All crops now doing well.
	Banka ...	0·8	
	Soopole ...	1·97	
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35	Purneah „ 17, '88	4·65	Weather—cool and showery. State and prospects of crops excellent.
	Kishengunge ...	6·40	
	Arrareah ...	4·18	
36	Maldah „ 14, '88	1·87	Weather—cloudy, with occasional heavy showers. Crops benefited by rain. More rain wanted in the north, where damage is apprehended. *Amun* sowings going on; transplanting commenced in some parts.
	Chanchal ...	1·53	
	Shibguuge ...	2·76	
	Gajole ...	1·60	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 14, '88	1·02	Weather—cloudy, with good showers at intervals. Ploughing and sowing going on busily. More rain wanted for the transplanting of *dhan* seedlings.
	Deoghur ...	4·30	
	Godda ...	1·00	
	Jamtara ...	1·02	
	Pakour ...	3·26	
	Rajmahal ...	1·25	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack July 13, '88	1·48	Weather—occasionally cloudy. Slight rain at times. More rain wanted. Local showers have improved the state of things in places *Beali* and *sarad* rice-plants suffer from want of rain in many places. Those on canal banks are growing well. Price of rice rising.
39	Pooree „ 12, '88	0·06	Weather—hot. Rain is much wanted for the puddling of the winter crops. The seedlings of winter rice (*sarad*) are withering. Early rice (*beali*) is being weeded. Common rice 21 seers 6 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 19 seers 3 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	Khoordah ...	1·12	
40	Balasore „ 13, '88	1·28	Weather—is clearly changing, and there are signs of heavy rain. Crops seem to be generally doing fairly well, except in the centre of the district, where more rain is urgently required.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh July 13, '88	3·34	Weather—seasonable. Ample rain everywhere. Sowings still continue. Crops doing well. Prospects favourable.
42	Lohardugga „ 14, '88	1·52	Weather—cloudy and somewhat warm. Rain during the week somewhat scanty and irregular; more urgently needed. *Bhadoi* sowings have commenced. Prospects of crops continue good. No appreciable change in rice market at head-quarters. Prices rising in Palamow.
	Palamow ...	0·72	
43	Singbhoom „ 13, '88	0·61	Very little rain; more badly wanted. So far the damage done by the drought is small, but if the rains hold off much longer, serious damage will be done to the *bhadoi* crops, including the *gora dhan*.
44	Manbhoom „ 14, '88	2·63	Weather—cool and rainy. Abundant rain has fallen, and all crops are doing well. A little break now for ten days or so would be of advantage.
	Govindpur ..	1·68	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 14th July 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 21st July 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan July 21, '88	1·28	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good in the west, fair in the centre, and poor in the east and north-east, where the continued want of rain is causing anxiety, and artificial irrigation is being resorted to. Prices slowly rising.
	Culna ...	0·88	
	Cutwa ...	0·18	
2	Bankoora „ 21, '88	3·92	Weather—seasonable. Rainfall sufficient in the Sudder sub-division. The progress of rice cultivation is reported to be retarded by insufficient rain in the Bishenpore sub-division. Sugarcane and indigo are thriving. Common rice is selling at the Bankoora mart at 19 seers per rupee.
3	Birbhum „ 21, '88	1·90	Weather—cloudy and showery since 19th instant. Reports from the district express great anxiety on account of want of rain, but since they were despatched there has been general heavy rain. Transplantation has begun.
	Rampur Haut ...	0·57	
4	Midnapur „ 21, '88	4·13	Weather—close, with heavy storms the last three evenings at head-quarters. Ordinary cultivation going on. In Contai sowing has commenced, and there have been slight showers almost everywhere. Tamluk has had a good fall of rain (2·30) during the past week.
5	Hugli „ 21, '88	1·53	Weather seasonable, but drier than usual. More rain is wanted for transplanting rice on high lands; otherwise prospects are now favourable, as the rainfall, though light, has been so far well distributed.
	Serampur ...	1·82	
	Jehanabad ...	1·13	
	Howrah July 23, '88	2·99	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops fair. More rain wanted.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Perghs. July 24, '88	2·15	Weather—seasonable, but the rainfall is still insufficient. More rain wanted. Transplantation going on.
7	Nuddea „ 21, '88	0·60	Weather—hot. Rain deficient. More rain is generally wanted for the *aus* crop and for transplantation of the *amun* crop. Jute and sugarcane fair. Indigo not very good.
	Kushtea ...	0·41	
	Meherpur ...	1·09	
	Chooadanga ...	0·17	
	Ranaghat ...	1·22	
8	Khoolna „ 21, '88	0·96	Slight showers during the early part and heavy showers during the latter part of the week. Prospects of *aus* good. Cultivation for Sunderbund *amun* going on. *Amun* in the north thriving. More rain wanted in the Sudder sub-division for *aus*. Sugarcane and jute promise well.
9	Jessore „ 21, '88	1·13	Weather—cloudy with occasional showers. *Aus* is being harvested in some places. Transplantation of *amun* progressing. More rain wanted.
	Jhenidah ...	0·77	
	Magoora ...	0·45	
	Narail ...	0·39	
	Bongong ...	2·52	
10	Moorshedabad „ 21, '88	0·70	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals, but very little rain. Prospects of both *bhadoi* and *amun* unfavourable. Rain much wanted.
	Lalbagh ...	1·22	
	Kandi ...	0·63	
	Jungipur ...	0·77	
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 21, '88	3·74	Weather—windy with heavy showers. More rain is wanted for the high land *dhan*.
	Thakurgaon ...	4·74	
12	Rajshahye „ 21, '88	0·63	Weather—sultry in daytime; cool at night. More rain much wanted in the Sudder and Nowgong sub-divisions. Transplantation at a stand-still. Condition of *amun* precarious in some parts of the district
	Nattore ...	2·28	
	Nowgong ...	0·56	
13	Rungpur „ 21, '88	1·90	Jute and *aus* crops are good and both are being cut. Rain is much wanted for the *amun* crop in the Gaibanda sub-division.
	Nilphamari ...	4·93	
	Kurigram ...	1·77	
	Gaibanda ...	0·25	
14	Bogra „ 21, '88	0·22	Weather—cloudy, but very little rain. Transplanting of *amun* is being delayed for want of rain. Prospects fair. Price of rice rising.
	Sherpur ...	1·28	
15	Pubna „ 21, '88	0·47	Weather—showery and cloudy. Easterly wind in the latter part of the week. Rivers are rising fast. Prospects of crops fairly good. *Aus*, *bhura*, and *til* are being reaped in many places.
	Serajgunge ...	2·30	
16	Darjeeling „ 21, '88	8·09	Weather—seasonable. Crops promise well both in hills and plains.
17	Julpigoree „ 21, '88	11·58	Weather—cloudy with occasional showers of rain. *Haimanti* paddy is being transplanted. *Bhadoi* is being reaped. Jute in some parts tolerably fair.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION. 18	Dacca „ 21, '88	0·97	Weather—cloudy and hot. *Aus* paddy and jute being harvested. *Amun* paddy thriving. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	1·1	
	Munshigunge ...	1·74	
	Narainguńge ...	1·76	
19	Furreedpur „ 21, '88	0·66	Weather—seasonable. Prospects fair. *Aus* harvesting going on. In some places the crop has been damaged on account of short rainfall.
	Goalundo ...	0·35	
	Madaripur ...	1·19	
20	Backergunge „ 19, '88	1·43	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good, except in Bholá, where they are tolerable.
21	Mymensingh „ 20, '88	1·23	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·47	
	Kishoregunge ...	0·40	
	Attia ...	0·65	
	Netrokona ...	2·15	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong July 24, '88	7·05	Weather—seasonable. Agricultural prospects fair. Prices stationary.
23	Noakholly „ 20, '88	3·07	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *aus* continues. Transplantation of *amun* progressing. More rain wanted in Fenny.
	Fenny ...	0·46	
24	Tipperah „ 19, '88	0·42	Weather—too dry. Much more rain wanted. Outturn of jute in Brahmanbariah is not good. All other crops are promising throughout the district, but more rain is much wanted, especially in the Sudder sub-division.
	Brahmanbariah .	0·35	
	Chandpur ...	1·06	
25	Chittagong Hill „ 17, '88 Tracts.	1·20	Weather—cloudy and sunny with occasional showers throughout the week. *Jum* paddy suffering from drought. Plough-paddy is also suffering in the seed beds. Rain badly wanted.
	Hill Tipperah „ 18, '88	1·65	Weather—hot and cloudy. Transplantation of *amun* paddy commenced. Sugarcane and early rice doing well.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 21, '88	3·53	Weather—hot with east wind. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings still going on. In some places sowing has been completed. Alternate sunshine and rain is all that is now necessary.
	Barh ...	1·65	
27	Gya „ 21, '88	2·39	Weather—cloudy. Paddy being sown. *Bhadoi* coming on well. Rain anxiously wanted in the Nowada sub-division.
28	Shahabad . „ 21, '88	3·28	Weather—clear and cloudy at intervals. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings are progressing rapidly. Prospects of sugarcane are good. More rain is still wanted in the Sasseram sub-division. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	1·73	
	Sasseram ...	3·92	
29	Durbhunga „ '88		Report not received.
30	Mozufferpur „ 21, '88	3·86	Prospects of crops fair. In some parts of Sitamarhi rain is urgently wanted for the transplantation of paddy. Early maize in ear.
	Hajipur ...	0·94	
	Sitamarhi ...	2·07	
31	Sarun „ 21, '88	1·65	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Sowings of *bhadoi* and paddy are in full swing. Transplantation of paddy will shortly commence. Prospects of all crops on the ground excellent.
	Sewan ...	2·16	
	Gopalgunge ...	1·87	
32	Chumparun „ 21, '88	1·00	Weather—hot and cloudy. Transplantation of paddy progressing, but more rain wanted in places. *Bhadoi* being weeded. Indigo mahai going on.
	Bettiah ...	4·88	
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 21, '88	3·75	Weather—hot and mostly cloudy with rain at intervals. Standing crops doing well. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings still going on.
	Begusarai ...	2·35	
	Jamui ...	3·19	
34	Bhagulpur „ 21, '88	4·82	Weather—seasonable. *Bhadoi* crops have recovered a good deal. More rain wanted for transplantation of rice, especially in the south.
	Banka ...	1·71	
	Madehpura ...	6·77	
	Soopole ...	4·15	
35	Purneah „ 21, '88	2·85	Sunshine and rain. State and prospects of crops very good.
	Kishengunge ...	3·62	
	Arrareah ...	5·22	
36	Maldah „ 21, '88	3·68	Weather—seasonable. Rain has done much good to *bhadoi* and *amun* crops. More rain wanted for transplanting of winter rice.
	Chanchal ...	0·98	
	Shibgunge ...	4·51	
	Gajol ...	3·80	
37	Southal Perghs „ 21, '88	2·66	Weather—continues favourable. Crops late, but getting on well.
	Deoghur ...	2·33	
	Godda ...	0·69	
	Jamtara ...	3·75	
	Pakour ...	5·84	
	Rajmahal ...	2·61	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack July 20, '88	5·05	Weather—cloudy and seasonable. The rain of last week greatly improved the state of paddy crops everywhere. Common rice sells at 19 seers 11 chittacks per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 19, '88	1·11	Weather—cloudy and stormy towards the end of the week. More rain is required for puddling and transplantation of the winter (*sarad*) crops. Rainfall during the week is favourable to the standing crops of the season. *Beali* (early rice) is being weeded. Common rice 20 seers 14 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 18 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoordah	1·68	
40	Balasore „ 20, '88	2·37	Weather—seasonable. More rain is still wanted, especially in the centre of the district. The fields that suffered from drought are being re-sown.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh July 20, '88	4·53	Weather—rainy. Paddy sowings continue. Sugarcane doing well. Too much rain for *bhadoi*. A break for a week or so needed. Condition of agricultural stock good.
42	Lohardugga „ 21, '88	6·22	Weather—very rainy. Heavy rain during the week. Sowing of paddy completed. Area under cultivation under normal in Palamow owing to the unusual drought and heat having killed and weakened the plough-cattle. Prices of food-grains rising.
	Palamow (up to 16th) ...	0·48	
43	Singbhoom „ 20, '88	2·32	Weather—very wet. The rains appear to have set in at last and just in time to save the crops. Crop prospects good.
44	Manbhoom „ 21, '88	4·79	Weather—cool and rainy. There was plenty of rain during the week, greatly to the advantage of paddy cultivation.
	Govindpur ...	3·01	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 28th July 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan July 28, '88	2·07	Weather - seasonable. The much-needed rain has fallen in the north and east, and prospects are now good in the western half of the district, and very fair elsewhere. Prices stationary.
	Culna ...	2·53	
	Cutwa ...	2·06	
	Ranigunge ...	2·37	
2	Bankoora „ 28, '88	2·59	Weather—seasonable. Transplantation of rice proceeds. Sugarcane thriving. No change in the rice market.
3	Birbhum „ 28, '88	1·52	Weather—cool; clouds, showers and storms. Rain very insufficient, and progress of transplantation slow; but since the 24th in the north and the 28th in the south heavy rain has been falling which will do great good.
	Rampur Haut ...	4·41	
4	Midnapur „ 28, '88	1·72	Weather—hot, with occasional showers. Prospects of rice fairly good. More rain wanted in Contai and Tumlook.
5	Hugli „ 28, '88	2·40	Weather—cloudy with showers. Transplanting is still going on in the lower lands. For the high lands more rain is required. Prospects are so far good.
	Serampur ...	4·69	
	Jehanabad ...	2·75	
	Howrah „ 30, '88	1·44	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops promising.
	Coldoberia ...	0·47	
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Perghs. July 31, '88	3·48	Prospects of crops favourable. Transplantation going on.
7	Nuddea „ 28, '88	8·84	Weather—close, with heavy rain throughout the district. Prospects of rice fair.
	Kushtea ...	5·16	Rain has done much good to *aus* crop, and has facilitated transplantation of
	Meherpur ...	5·42	*amun*. Jute and sugarcane doing well. Indigo good in Meherpore; not
	Chooadanga ...	6·13	good in Chooadanga.
	Ranaghat ...	4·61	
8	Khoolna „ 28, '88	6·74	Weather—seasonable. Good showers during the week. Prospects of *aus* good. Cultivation for Sunderbun *amun* land is going on. *Amun* on the north thriving. The rainfall of this week will do great good to the standing crops. Jute and sugarcane promise well.
9	Jessore „ 28, '88	4·75	Weather—rainy. The rain of the week has much improved the state of the
	Jhenidah ...	3·50	paddy crops. Reaping of *aus* and transplantation of *amun* going on fairly.
	Magoora ...	3·98	
	Narail ...	2·10	
	Bongong ...	7·30	
10	Moorshedabad „ 28, '88	3·31	Weather—hot and overcast, with showers of rain at intervals. Considerable
	Lalbagh ...	4·79	good has been done to the *amun* plants by the recent rain. *Aus* is getting
	Kandi ...	7·20	ripe.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 28, '88	3·65	Weather—rainy. The rain has done much good, and transplanting is in pro-
	Thakurgaon ...	2·97	gress, but more rain is wanted for the high lands.
12	Rajshahye „ 28, '88	4·05	Weather—hot and muggy. More rain wanted, but prospects of crops not bad.
	Nattore ...	4·85	Price of rice stationary.
	Nowgong ...	5·10	
13	Rungpur „ 27, '88	0·88	Prospects are fair on the whole; but rain is badly wanted in the Gaibanda
	Nilphamari ...	2·15	sub-division for *amun* crop and for steeping jute.
	Kurigram ...	3·03	
	Gaibanda ...	0·76	
14	Bogra „ 28, '88	2·87	Weather—showery. Moderate rain; more wanted for *amun*. *Aus* and jute are
	Sherpur ...	1·62	being harvested; outturn fair. Price of rice rising.
	Naukhila ...	1·80	
15	Pubna „ 28, '88	5·91	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Prospects of crops improved by rain.
	Serajgunge ...	1·18	
16	Darjeeling „ 28, '88	9·33	Weather—rainy and cloudy. In hills potatoes are being dug; Indian-corn maturing; *marwa* and rice promise well. In plains winter rice is being transplanted and *bhadoi* rice harvested; jute nearly mature. Prospects generally good.
17	Julpigoree „ 28, '88	5·25	Weather—hot and cloudy with rain at intervals. Standing crops doing well. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION. 18	Dacca „ 28, '88	6·41	Weather—cloudy and rainy. *Aus* paddy and jute are being harvested. *Amun*
	Manickgunge ...	2·81	paddy thriving. Rain has done much good. Rivers gradually rising.
	Munshigunge ...	4·29	
	Narainguage ...	4·20	
19	Furreedpur „ 28, '88	7·81	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Goalundo ...	3·6	
	Madaripur ...	2·71	
20	Backergunge „ 27, '88	3·31	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair, except in Bhōla, where accounts are unfavourable.
21	Mymensingh „ 27, '88	1·91	Weather—hot, with occasional showers. Prospects of crops fair.
	Jamalpur ...	1·42	
	Kishoregunge ...	2·07	
	Attia ...	0·75	
	Netrokona ...	2·66	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong July 31, '88	13·64	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good. Prices steady.
	Cox's Bazar ...	22·47	
23	Noakholly „ 27, '88	8·57	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* is being reaped. Transplantation of *amun* continues.
	Feuny ...	14·23	
24	Tipperah „ 26, '88	3·55	Weather—seasonable. Rain has fallen, and there is promise of more. State and prospects of crops satisfactory. Rain has greatly improved prospects.
	Brahmanbariah	0·45	
	Chandpur ...	3·60	
25	Chittagong Hill „ 24, '88	4·80	Weather—cloudy and rainy during the latter part of the week. Recent rain has improved both *jum* and plough paddy, but more still wanted.
	Tracts.		
	Hill Tipperah „ 25, '88	0·76	Weather—hot and cloudy. Early rice thriving. *Amun* paddy being transplanted. *Jum* crops doing well.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 28, '88	4·99	Weather—cloudy and rainy. *Bhadoi* and paddy sowings have been completed. *Cheena* and *makai* doing well. The river is rising fast, and it is feared that the *bhadoi* crops on the Dearah will be damaged.
	Barh	7·37	
	Dinapur ..	2·18	
27	Gya „ 28, '88	3·62	Weather—cloudy and hot. Paddy is being transplanted. *Bhadoi* crops doing well.
28	Shahabad „ 28, '88	3·69	Weather—hot and cloudy. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops generally good, but in the Arrah sub-division a break in the rain is wanted. Transplantation of paddy has commenced in parts of the Sasseram sub-division. Sugarcane promises well. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	2·28	
	Sasseram ...	4·39	
	Bhabuah ...	2·40	
29	Durbhunga „ 28, '88	8·12	Weather—rainy. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue very promising. Rice cultivation in full swing. Indigo manufacture progressing. Prices remain almost stationary.
30	Mozufferpore „ 28, '88	5·57	Weather—rainy. The rainfall during the week has been beneficial for all agricultural purposes. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops good. Transplantation of paddy going on.
	Sitamarhi ...	4·60	
	Hajipur ...	·38	
31	Sarun „ 28, '88	4·71	Weather—cloudy, with rain at intervals. Sowings of *bhadoi* almost completed. Transplantation of paddy commenced. Prospects favourable. Indigo mahai going on.
	Sewan ...	1·93	
32	Chumparun „ 28, '88	4·21	Weather—hot, cloudy and rainy during the greater part of the week; fair to-day (28th). Transplantation of paddy in full progress. *Bhadoi* doing well. Prospects good. Break in the rain needed in the Bettiah sub-division.
	Bettiah ...	6·43	
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 28, '88	8·48	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Rain sufficient for the present. Sunshine is now necessary for the standing *bhadoi* crops. Paddy seedlings doing well.
	Begusarai ...	2·66	
	Jamui ...	3·67	
34	Bhagulpur „ 28, '88	6·45	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Banka ...	4·46	
	Mudehpura ...	2·46	
	Soopole ...	3·24	
35	Purneah „ 28, '88	3·50	Weather—occasional showers. State and prospects of crops very good.
	Kishenguhge ...	3·74	
	Arrareah ...	3·40	
36	Maldah „ 28, '88	3·83	Weather—seasonable. *Bhadoi* crops doing well. Some damage to low land crops apprehended from rise of rivers. Transplantation of winter paddy going on.
	Chanchal ...	1·67	
	Shibgunge ...	4·34	
	Gajol ...	2·72	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 28, '88	1·61	Weather—seasonable. Accounts good everywhere. Transplantation of rice goes on. In Rajmehal *bhadoi dhan* in ear. *Janera* on the whole doing well.
	Deoghur ...	5·71	
	Godda ...	6·56	
	Jamtara ...	4·34	
	Pakour ...	5·93	
	Rajmehal ...	4·05	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack July 27, '88	0·85	Weather—close and warm. Clouds appear and pass without sufficient rain. State of crops in places somewhat improved by the rain of 18th and 19th. This rain was, however, not general. Rainfall has since been scanty. Crops will suffer for want of heavy showers. Prices rising.
39	Pooree „ 26, '88	1·78	Weather—cloudy with occasional showers. Puddling of the (*sarud*) winter crops has commenced in some parts of the district; more rain is urgently required to finish the operation. Common rice 20 seers 7 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 18 seers 14 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division. The poorer classes in parts of Khoordah are in a distressed condition.
	Khoordah ..	3·92	
24	Balasore „ 27, '88	2·74	Weather—seasonable. Crops generally doing well, but more rain wanted for transplantation of rice seedlings.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh July 27, '88	4·59	Weather—seasonable. Abundant rain. Agricultural operations in full swing. All crops doing well.
42	Lohardugga „ 28, '88	2·87	Weather—cloudy and windy. Good rain on three days. More rain wanted to enable paddy transplantation to proceed. Prospects good. Prices as before.
	Palamow ...	6·14	
	[for the week ending 23rd]		
43	Singbhoom „ 27, '88	5·57	Rain all over the district. Crops reported well from all parts of the district. Prospects good.
44	Manbhoom „ 28, '88	4·29	Weather—cool and rainy. Sufficient rain has fallen in all parts of the district, and transplanting of paddy seedlings is in progress. *Bhadoi* crops much injured by the drought in the early part of the season.
	Govindpur ...	1·32	

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* STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 28th July 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 4th August 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan August 4, '88	2·36	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good. Common rice 20 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	9·39	
	Cutwa ...	1·66	
	Ranigunge ...	5 62	
2	Bankoora „ 4, '88	2·83	Weather—very hot and close. The condition and prospects of the crops are good. Transplantation of rice is still proceeding.
3	Birbhum „ 4, '88	8·44	Weather—cool with constant heavy rain till 2nd; now fine, bright and hot. The heavy rain has given a great stimulus to transplantation, which has been carried on vigorously. The rice crop is saved for the time
	Rampur Haut ...	7·06	
4	Midnapur „ 4, '88	8·55	Weather—heavy rain throughout the district. Prospects of crops generally improved by the abundant rainfall. Transplanting going on everywhere.
5	Hugli „ 4, '88	3·41	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of all crops much improved by the heavy rain of the week and are now normal.
	Serampur ...	7·83	
	Jehanabad ...	7·27	
	Howrah „ 6, '88	3·19	Weather—seasonable. More rain much wanted.
	Oolooberia ...	4·91	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergns. August 7, '88	3·54	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional showers. Transplantation going on. More rain wanted.
7	Nuddea „ 4, '88	7·33	Weather—close with generally heavy rain. Prospects of crops fair. *Aus* paddy is in ear in places. Transplantation of *amun* makes good progress. Indigo manufacture continues.
	Kushtea ...	2·24	
	Meherpur ...	4·51	
	Chooadanga ...	4·29	
	Ranaghat ...	9·72	
8	Khoolna „ 4, '88	6·95	Weather—showery early in the week; latterly fine. State and prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 4, '88	6·79	Weather—rather hot. Recent rain beneficial to standing crops. Harvesting of *aus* and transplantation of *amun* continue.
	Jhenidah ...	2·08	
	Magoora ...	2·50	
	Narail ...	3·25	
	Bongong ...	9·85	
10	Moorshedabad „ 4, '88	3·31	Weather—early part of the week rainy, but very hot for the last two days, there being no rain. *Bhadoi* in ear and nearly ripe in some places. Prospects favourable. *Amun* getting on nicely.
	Lalbagh ...	3·41	
	Kandi ...	5·90	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 4, '88	6·14	Weather—hot and sultry. More rain wanted for transplantation, especially in the north and south of the district. *Bhadoi* outturn will be short.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·15	
12	Rajshahye „ 4, '88	1·78	Weather—hot and fine. Rain wanted for transplantation and growth of *amun* seedlings. Harvesting of *aus* going on. Prospects of crops improved except in thana Manda. Price of rice stationary.
	Nattore ...	4·77	
	Nowgong ...	3·12	
13	Rungpur „ 4, '88	0·27	More rain wanted for the *amun* crops all over the district, especially in the Gaibanda sub-division.
	Kurigram ...	1·97	
	Nilphamari ...	0·89	
	Gaibanda ...	1·40	
14	Bogra „ 4, '88	2·09	Weather—close and warm. Crops suffering for want of sufficient rain. Common rice selling at 23 seers per rupee.
	Sherpur ...	3·89	
	Naukhila ...	4·31	
15	Pubna „ 4, '88	2·14	Weather—rainy and cool in the beginning of the week; latterly fair and hot. Prospects of crops good Rivers rising fast.
	Serajgunge ...	3·23	
16	Darjeeling „ 4, '88	3·38	Weather—variable; finner than usual at this time of year. All crops promise well.
17	Julpigoree „ 4, '88	2·93	Weather—cloudy and very warm. *Aus* paddy is being harvested. Transplantation of *amun* going on, but is much retarded in the Alipore sub-division for want of rain.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Division. 18	Dacca August „ 4, '88	6·65	Weather—mostly cloudy and hot. Jute and *aus* paddy being harvested; outturn good. Prospects of *amun* and other crops continue good. Rivers gradually rising.
	Manickgunge ...	6·31	
	Munshigunge ...	11·9	
	Naraingunge ...	7·76	
19	Furreedpur „ 4, '88	4·65	Weather—rainy and cloudy. Prospects of crops fair
	Goalundo ...	3·8	
	Madaripur ...	7·83	
20	Backergunge „ 2, '88	9·29	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good. Recent rain has done good to the *aus* crop in Bhola and Patuakhali.
21	Mymensingh „ 3, '88	3·18	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops fair.
	Jamalpur ...	4·53	
	Kishoregunge ...	3·10	
	Attia ...	3 8	
	Netrokona ...	6·44	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong August 3, '88	1·49	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* being planted. Prospects of crops favourable. Prices unchanged.
23	Noakholly „ 3, '88	11·62	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *aus* going on. Transplantation of *amun* progressing.
	Fenny ...	12·50	
24	Tipperah „ 2, '88	0·91	Weather—seasonable *Aus* and jute being reaped with fair outturn. Prospects of *amun* good.
	Brahmanbarish .	1·91	
	Chandpur ...	8·27	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. July 31, '88	5·07	Weather—rainy with occasional sunshine throughout the week. Rainfall of the week has improved the condition of *jum* paddy, and has facilitated transplanting of plough-paddy in low lands.
	Hill Tipperah August 1, '88	4·75	Weather—hot and cloudy. Early rice commenced to be reaped; fair outturn expected. Transplantation of *amun* paddy continues. *Jums* doing well.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divs. 26	Patna „ 4, '88	1·49	Weather—hot. Paddy transplantation going on. *Bhadoi* crops on dearah washed away by a rise of the Ganges; crops on uplands doing well. Weeding of *bhadoi* crops going on. Agricultural stock and pasturage adequate.
	Barh ...	8·45	
	Dinapur ...	4·55	
27	Gya „ 4, '88	1·82	Weather—cloudy. Paddy is being transplanted. *Bhadoi* crops doing well. Still much more rain wanted.
28	Shahabad „ 4, '88	3·06	Weather—hot and cloudy at intervals. Transplantation of paddy commenced throughout the district. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue fair. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	1·21	
	Sasseram ...	1·82	
	Bhabuah ...	3·20	
29	Durbhunga „ 4, '88	1·89	Weather—occasionally cloudy. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue very favourable. Transplantation of rice progressing rapidly. Indigo manufacture going on. Price of common rice averages 18 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 4, '88	2·69	Weather—rainy and hot Prospects of *bhadoi* crops favourable. Transplantation of paddy going on.
	Hajipur ...	7·20	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·23	
31	Sarun „ 4, '88	0·93	Weather—hot and cloudy. Transplantation of paddy in full progress. *Bhadoi* doing well. All other crops on the ground continue very promising.
	Sewan ...	3·96	
32	Chumparun „ 4, '88	2·94	Weather—hot and close. Transplantation of paddy is being pushed on, and approaching completion. Prospects of *bhadoi* good.
	Bettiah ...	3·24	
Bhagulpore Divs. 33	Monghyr „ 4, '88	6·22	Weather—hot and close. A break in the rains since 3rd instant. Transplantation of paddy has commenced in the Jamui sub-division. *Bhadoi* crops have suffered in places to some extent from heavy rain and rise of the Ganges.
	Jamui ...	3·08	
34	Bhagulpur „ 4, '88	6·45	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Banka ...	2·00	
	Mudehpura ...	8·28	
	Soopole ...	4·26	
35	Purneah „ 4, '88	2·36	Weather—fine with showers. Good *bhadoi* rice and jute harvest begun in the north. Transplanting of *aghani* continues.
	Kishengunge ...	1·36	
	Arrareah ...	3·17	
36	Maldah „ 4, '88	3·73	Good rain during early part of the week. *Bhadoi* and *amun* paddy doing well. Damage to crops on dearah lands reported owing to rise of the Ganges. Common rice 19¼ seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	4·2	
	Shibgunge ...	5·71	
	Gajol ...	1·72	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 4, '88	5·50	Weather—seasonable. *Bhadoi dhan* harvest begun in Rajmehal. Winter *dhan* being transplanted. All very busy. Prospects good.
	Deoghur ...	3·02	
	Godda ...	2·70	
	Jamtara ...	5·20	
	Rajmehal ...	2·11	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divs. 38	Cuttack „ 3, '88	0·40	Weather—hot but cloudy at times *Beali* and *sarad* rice being weeded and transplanted, but in many places the operations are impeded for want of sufficient rain. In Jajpore there was sufficient rain during the week for agricultural operations.
39	Pooree „ 2, '88	0·08	Weather—hot Rain is very urgently required for transplantation and puddling of the winter (*sarad*) crop. If sufficient rain does not fall shortly the crop will fail.
	Khoordah ...	0·50	
40	Balasore „ 3, '88	3·54	Weather—seasonable. Rain general throughout the district; very heavy to the south-east. Transplanting of rice is being pushed on everywhere.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divs. 41	Hazaribagh August 3, '88	4·39	Weather—seasonable. Ample rain. A break required for the *bhadoi* crops. Transplanting in progress. Prospects continue favourable.
42	Lohardugga „ 4, '88	3·19	Weather—showery during the week, with 2¼ inches rain on one day More rain wanted for tranplantation of paddy. Prospects good. Prices steady.
	Palamow ...	3·77	
	[for the week ending 30th July.]		
43	Singbhoom „ 3, '88	1·78	Weather—seasonable, with rain and shunshine alternating. Crops reported well everywhere. Field operations being carried on and prospects satisfactory.
44	Manbhoom „ 4, '88	5·10	Weather—seasonable. Abundant rain fell during the week in all parts of the district. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops good. Transplanting three-fourths complete: prospects so far good.
	Govindpur ..	4·43	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 11th August 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan August 11, '88	0·96	Weather—seasonable. All very fair though agricultural operations are rather late. Prices stationary.
	Culna ...	0·69	
	Cutwa ...	0 58	
	Ranigunge ...	1 31	
2	Bankoora „ 11, '88	1·69	Weather—hot for the season and cloudy. Transplantation of *haimanti* rice still proceeding. It has been retarded in places for want of sufficient rain. Young rice plants, *biri kalai*, and sugarcane coming on well. Prices showing a tendency to fall.
3	Birbhum „ 11, '88	0·84	Weather—hot with occasional showers. In spite of frequent showers the rainfall has been light, and transplantation is accordingly again retarded. Sugarcane also suffering.
	Rampur Haut ...	0·82	
4	Midnapur „ 11, '88	5·54	Weather—constant showers during the week and at present very overcast. At head-quarters plenty of rain has fallen, but in Contai and Tumlook the supply is still short, and transplanting is said to have been interrupted in the latter sub-division for want of it. In the Ghatal sub-division the crops are generally doing well
5	Hugli „ 11, '88	1·29	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue to improve.
	Serampur ...	·91	
	Jehanabad ...	2·02	
	Howrah „ 13, '88	2·92	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops fair. More rain wanted.
	Oolooberia ...	2·48	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. August 14, '88	3·36	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. Transplantation continues.
7	Nuddea „ 11, '88	1·70	Weather—occasional showers. Prospects of crops good. Transplantation of *amun* going on. Indigo is being manufactured.
	Kushtea ...	0·72	
	Meherpur ...	1·86	
	Chooadanga ...	2·25	
	Ranaghat ...	1·98	
8	Khoolna „ 11, '88	1·06	Weather—close with occasional showers. State and prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 11, '88	1·60	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional showers. Prospects of standing crops good, but rain is still wanted in places.
	Jhenidah ...	1·38	
	Magoora ...	0·66	
	Narail ...	0·38	
	Bongong ...	1·46	
10	Moorshedabad „ 11, '88	0·58	Weather—hot with very little rain during the week. *Amun* getting on well. *Aus* ripe and being cut, and in some places it is being threshed.
	Lalbagh ...	0·55	
	Kandi ...	0·17	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 11, '88	0·66	Weather—hot and sultry. Prospects of winter rice still uncertain in the north and south of the district owing to want of rain.
	Thakurgaon ...	0·66	
12	Rajshahye „ 11, '88	1 54	Weather—days hot, but nights cool. High easterly wind blew yesterday (10th). Transplantation of paddy going on. Prospects of crops improved except in thanahs Tanore, Singra and Manda. More rain wanted. Harvesting of *aus* and jute going on.
	Nattore ...	0·50	
	Nowgong ...	0·22	
13	Rungpur „ 11, '88	0·45	Rain urgently wanted for transplantation of *amun*. Jute also suffering from the unseasonably dry weather.
	Nilphamari ...	0 53	
	Kurigram ...	Nil	
14	Bogra „ 11, '88	0·20	Weather—very warm. Transplantation of *amun* being delayed in places for want of rain. Outturn of *aus* crop expected to be 8 annas. Common rice selling at 22 seers per rupee.
	Sherpur ...	0·13	
	Naukhila ...	0·10	
15	Pubna „ 11, '88	2·96	Weather—cloudy and showery. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Serajgunge ...	0·42	
16	Darjeeling „ 11, '88	2·25	Weather—very fine for the time of year. Prospects of crops good Indian-corn and potatoes are being harvested. Paddy and jute promise well. Prices stationary, except of Indian-corn, for which there is great demand. Some cases of cattle disease in Terai.
17	Julpigoree „ 11, '88	1·09	Weather—cloudy and hot. More rain wanted for transplantation of *haimanti* paddy all over the district, especially in the Alipore sub-division, where seedlings are said to be dying for continued want of rain. Harvesting of *aus* going on.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca August 11, '88	0·55	Weather—hot and fine. *Aus* paddy and jute are being harvested. *Amun dhan* thriving. Prospects good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·25	
	Munshigunge ...	0·22	
	Naraingunge ...	0·65	
19	Furreedpur „ 11, '88	0 74	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Goalundo ...	0·80	
	Madaripur ...	1·02	
20	Backergunge „ 9, '88	0·65	Weather—seasonable. Propects of crops fair, but some damage has been done by insects to both *aus* and *amun* crops.
21	Mymensingh „ 10, '88	0·78	Weather—hot with occasional showers. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	1·69	
	Kishoregunge ...	2·72	
	Attia ...	Nil	
	Netrokona ...	1·29	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong August 14, '88	6·65	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* being transplanted. Prospects of crops fair. Prices stationery.
23	Noakholly „ 10, '88	1·40	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *aus* continues. Transplantation of *amun* progressing. Prospects very fair.
	Fenny ...	0·46	
24	Tipperah „ 9, '88	1·06	Weather—seasonable; somewhat drier than usual at this time of the year. The outturn of jute is contracted; the standing crops of rice are flourishing.
	Brahmanbariah .	2·16	
	Chandpur ...	0·91	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 7, '88	0·80	Weather—fickle in the extreme with occasional heavy falls of rain throughout the week. Transplanting in low lands by plough cultivators continues. *Jum* paddy progressing, but more rain is said to be wanted.
	Hill Tipperah „ 9, '88	1·08	Weather—hot. Transplantation of *amun* paddy continues. *Shatya* paddy is still being gathered. Prospects of *jum* crops fair.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 11, '88	0·91	Weather—hot and cloudy. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops good. Transplantation of paddy going on. Sugarcane promises well. In the Barh sub-division want of fodder is being felt in some places. Prices of food-grains stationary.
	Behar ...	1·55	
	Barh ...	0·40	
27	Gya „ 11, '88	0·53	Weather—hot. Paddy is being transplanted in places where there is water enough in the reservoirs and water channels *Bhadoi* doing well. Heavy rain urgently wanted for transplantation of paddy.
28	Shahabad „ 11, '88	0·20	Weather—hot, clear and cloudy at intervals Transplantation of paddy progressing, but more rain is badly wanted, and if none falls within a week the consequence will be serious. *Bhadoi* crops doing well. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	0·05	
	Sasseram ...	0·63	
	Bhabuah ...	0·78	
29	Durbhunga „ 11, '88	0·37	Weather—close. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue favourable. Rain urgently wanted for transplantation of rice. Indigo manufacture in progress. Slight rise in prices.
30	Mozufferpur „ 11, '88	0·05	Weather—hot and clear with occasional clouds. Rain urgently wanted for transplantation of paddy. Prospects of standing crops fair. Maize coming into ear.
	Hajipur ...	2·00	
	Sitamarhi ...	Nil.	
31	Sarun „ 11, '88	0·82	Weather—hot and occasionally cloudy. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue favourable. More rain wanted for transplantation of paddy. Indigo manufacture going on.
	Sewan ...	1·05	
32	Chumparun „ 11, '88	0·07	Weather—hot; often cloudy. Transplantation of paddy coming to a close. Prospects of both *bhadoi* and *aghani* good.
	Bettiah ...	1·55	
Bhagulpur Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 11, '88	0·42	Weather—fair, hot and close throughout the week. Paddy transplantation going on. All other crops on the ground doing well.
	Begusarai ...	0·27	
	Jamui ...	1·18	
34	Bhagulpur „ 11, '88	0·46	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Banka ...	1·46	
	Mudehpura ...		
	Soopole ...	·35	
35	Purneah „ 11, '88	0·40	Weather—bright with light showers. *Bhadoi* and jute being cut. *Aghani* being transplanted.
	Kishengunge ...		
36	Maldah „ 11, '88	0·37	Weather—cloudy with a few light showers. Outturn of *bhadoi* expected to be between 8 and 10 annas. Rain much wanted for sowing and transplanting winter rice.
	Chanchal ...	1·37	
	Shibgunge ...	1·44	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 11, '88	1·65	Weather—hot with partial thunder showers. Prospects on the whole favourable. Indian-corn doing well except in Deoghur. More rain wanted in Rajmehal. Transplantation of rice goes on.
	Deoghur ...	0·51	
	Godda ...	0·90	
	Pakoor ...	1·29	
	Rajmehal ...	0·33	
	Jamtara ...	1·68	
ORISSA			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 10, '88	3·15	Weather—seasonable. *Beali* and *sarad* rice being weeded and transplanted. In Jajpur there was sufficient rain during the week. Common rice sells at 17 seers 1 chittack per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 9, '88	5·36	Weather—hot and rainy towards the close of the week. Late rain has done good to the crops in general, and has admitted of the puddling and transplantation of the winter (*sarad*) crop. Early rice (*beali*) and *mandia* are thriving well. More rain is wanted all over the district. Average price of common rice 18 seers 3 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 17 seers 2 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	Khoordah ...	2·57	
40	Balasore „ 10, '88	7·78	Weather—seasonable. Puddling and transplantation of rice seedlings in active progress. Other crops doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh August 10, '88	1·32	Weather—seasonable, sunshine and rain alternating. All crops doing well. Transplanting about half completed. Prospects continue favourable.
42	Lohardugga ...	.....	Report not received.
43	Singbhoom „ 10, '88	2·64	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice and *til* being planted out. Other crops reported on favourably on the whole. In one or two places only has the *gora dhan* suffered to any extent.
44	Manbhoom „ 11, '88	2·16	Weather—cool and seasonable. Prospects of autumn crops good. Transplanting of rice well advanced.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan August 18, '88	3·21	Weather—continuously wet. All very fair, though agricultural operations are late. Prices stationary.
	Culna ...	5·99	
	Cutwa ...	4·57	
	Ranigunge ...	4·95	
2	Bankoora „ 18, '88	3 11	Weather—seasonable. There has been general rainfall in the district. Transplantation on high lands is still going on. Young rice plants and sugarcane are doing well. Indigo is being cut. Common rice sold at the Bankoora market at 21 seers per rupee.
3	Birbhum „ 18, '88	9·85	Weather—seasonable, rainy. Rain has been copious. Some rivers overflowed their banks, causing a slight damage to the crops. Transplantation going on.
	Rampur Haut ...	17·34	
4	Midnapur „ 19, '88	2·55	Weather—cool with frequent showers. Good rainfall throughout the district, though more is still wanted in Tumlook and Contai. All crops doing well. Sugarcane in Ghatal damaged by late drought.
5	Hugli „ 18, '88	9·16	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops are now so far excellent.
	Serampur ...	6·06	
	Howrah „ 21, '88	4·97	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good.
	Coolooberia ...	7·71	
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Pergns. August 21, '88	6·32	Weather—seasonable and showery. Prospects of crops Transplantation continues. *Aus* in ear.
7	Nuddea „ 18, '88	13·17	Weather—cool and rainy. *Aus* is being cut. *Amun* transplanting still going on. Prospects good. Indigo manufacture nearly finished. Sugarcane is fair.
	Kushtea ...	5·22	
	Meherpur ...	7·51	
	Chooadanga ...	9·65	
	Ranaghat ...	3·15	
8	Khoolna „ 18, '88	6·02	Weather—close with occasional showers. State and prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 18, '88	4·70	Weather—hot and rainy. Rivers rising. Rain has benefited standing crops. Prospects good.
	Jhenidah ...	4·01	
	Magoora ...	4·43	
	Narail ...	3·89	
	Bongong ...	1·05	
10	Moorshedabad „ 18, '88	6·06	Weather—overcast and rainy. *Aus* ripening and in some places being cut and threshed. Prospects of *amun* favourable.
	Lalbagh ...	5·37	
	Jangipore ...	6·58	
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 18, '88	3·46	Weather—cooler with easterly winds. Outturn of *aus dhan* not likely to exceed 8 annas. Late heavy rain has improved prospects of *haimanti*, but transplantation still backward.
	Thakurgaon ...	3·59	
12	Rajshahye „ 18, '88	3·60	Weather—hot and rainy. Transplantation of *amun* continues. The recent rain has benefited the standing crops. Prospects improved in thanah Singra.
	Nattore ...	6·60	
	Nowgong ...	2·34	Jute and *aus* being reaped.
13	Rungpur „ 18, '88	6·55	Weather—hot and cloudy; occasional rain. Prospects of crops improved. Jute and *aus* being cut.
	Nilphamari ...	1·65	
	Kurigram ...	2·65	
	Gaibandha ...	3·07	
14	Bogra „ 18, '88	3·44	Weather—seasonable, sunshine and rain alternating. Prospects of *amun* have greatly improved by the late rain; but the crop will be late.
	Sherpur ...	3·32	
	Naukhila ...	3·48	
15	Pubna „ 18, '88	3·32	Weather—rainy. Rivers are rising fast. Prospects of crops good.
	Serajgunge ...	3·58	
16	Darjeeling „ 18, '88	3·77	Weather—uncertain and showery. Crops in the hills are being harvested. In the Terai transplantation of rice seedlings nearly completed. Prospects favourable as before.
17	Julpigoree „ 18, '88	8·85	Weather—hot and rainy. Harvesting of *aus* continues. Transplantation of *haimanti* going on in the Sudder sub-division, but is stopped in parts of the Alipore sub-division for want of rain. Transplanted seedlings are said to be withering in many places.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVN. 18	Dacca August 18, '88	5·50	Weather—cloudy and rainy. *Aus* paddy and jute being harvested. New jute coming into market. *Amun dhan* and sugarcane thriving. Prospects of crops continue favourable.
	Manickgunge ...	4·72	
	Munshigunge ...	4·29	
	Naraingunge ...	5·00	
19	Furreedpur „ 18, '88	5·88	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue satisfactory.
	Goalundo ...	5·26	
	Madaripur ...	4·86	
20	Backergunge „ 17, '88	6·98	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. Both *aus* and *amun* are being damaged by insects in places. *Aus* has also suffered from late flood tides. In Bhola the *amun* plants have suffered from excessive rain.
21	Mymensingh „ 17, '88	4·60	Weather—rainy and cloudy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	6·38	
	Kishoregunge ...	0·76	
	Attia ...	1·16	
	Netrokona ...	3·55	

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong August 21, '88	12·65	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* crop somewhat damaged by late heavy rain. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 17, '88	11·59	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* is being harvested. Transplantation of *amun* somewhat retarded by heavy rain. Fair weather wanted.
	Fenny ...	11·85	
24	Tipperah „ 16, '88	7·65	Weather—quite seasonable. Very heavy rain has fallen. The prospects of the ensuing rice crop are excellent.
	Brahmanbariah	2·70	
	Chandpur ...	4·37	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 14, '88	13·22	Weather—seasonable, with heavy showers of almost unintermittent rain from last Saturday (11th) till to-day (14th) inclusive Transplanting of paddy in low lands by plough cultivators continues. *Jum* paddy progressing. Rain in abundance during this week.
BEHAR.			
	Hill Tipperah „ 15, '88	1 69	Weather—moist. Transplantation of *amun* paddy still continues Prospects of *jum* crops fair.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 18, '88	4·49	Weather—seasonable; rain almost every day. Transplantation of paddy progressing, but more rain wanted. Prospects of *bhadoi* good; but this crop in low and dearah lands has suffered. Prices of food-grains stationary.
	Behar ...	3·52	
	Dinagur ...	3·50	
27	Gya „ 18, '88	12·86	Weather—cloudy and cool. Transplantation of paddy going on, but it is being much retarded for scarcity of rain in the Jehanabad sub-division only. Prospects of *bhadoi* good, but injured here and there owing to excessive rainfall in this week.
28	Shahabad „ 18, '88	3·69	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Transplantation of paddy in progress, but more rain wanted in the Buxar and Bhaboouh sub-divisions. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops continue good. Prices stationary.
	Buxar ...	0·21	
	Sasseram ...	4·81	
	Bhabuah ...	1·62	
29	Durbhunga „ 18, '88	0 67	Weather—cloudy. *Bhadoi* crop promising. Rain much wanted for transplantation of rice crop. Indigo manufacture going on. Prices rising.
30	Mozufferpur „ 18, '88	2·04	Weather—rainy, hot and cloudy Transplantation of paddy in full progress, except in Sitamarhi, where scanty rainfall retards it. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops favourable, but in Sitamarhi rain wanted for these crops also.
	Hajipur ...	4·42	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·27	
31	Sarun „ 18, '88	1·76	Weather—cloudy with occasional rain. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue favourable.
	Sewan ...	2·28	Paddy transplantation in full swing. More rain wanted.
	Gopalgunge ...	1·06	
32	Chumparun „ 18, '88	2·59	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional showers. Transplantation of paddy
	Bettiah ...	2·98	still being pushed on. Maize coming into ear. Prospects of all crops on the ground good. Rain still required in some parts.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 18, '88	2 60	Weather—seasonable. Showers every day in the week. Transplantation of
	Beguserai ...	0·46	winter rice going on, but more rain wanted in the Jamui sub-division.
	Jamui ...	1·08	*Bhadoi* doing well. Ganges rising fast.
34	Bhagulpur „ 18, '88	4·34	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Banka ...	5·2	
	Mudehpura ...	2 61	
	Soopole ...	1·31	
35	Purneah „ 18, '88	2·69	Weather—bright with heavy showers. *Bhadoi* being cut. Transplantation of
	Kishengunge ...	2·18	*aghani* checked in some places for want of rain. Rain, however, has fallen
	Arrariah ...	1·68	recently
36	Maldah „ 18, '88	9·05	Heavy rain during early part of week. The recent rain has benefited the *hai-manta* rice crop. Transplanting in progress.
	Chanchal ...	3 56	
	Shibgunge ...	1·68	
	Gajol ...	6·64	
37	Sonthal Pergha. „ 18, '88	13·22	Heavy rain throughout the district. Prospects of Indian-corn good. Trans-
	Deoghur ...	5·20	planting of paddy being vigorously pushed on.
	Godda ...	8·93	
	Jamtara ...	7·44	
	Pakoor ...	4·96	
	Rajmehal ...	5·67	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ '88		Report not received.
39	Pooree „ 16, '88	3·37	Weather—hot and cloudy. Rainfall during the week has done good to the crops
	Khoordah	2·44	in general. More rain is wanted for puddling and transplantation. Common rice 18 seers 5 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 16 seers 2 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 17, '88	0·35	Weather—fairly seasonable. There has been more rain in the district generally than at head-quarters. Prospects of rice crop favourable.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh August 17, '88	6·55	Weather—seasonable. Very heavy rain latterly. Indian-corn has suffered from excessive rain. Other crops are doing well Transplanting of rice about three-fourths completed. Prices very high all over the district.
42	Lohardugga „ 18, '88	7·81	Weather—rainy. 8¼ inches of rain on 16th and 17th. Transplantation of
	Palamow ...	4·61	paddy progressing well. Prospects of crops favourable. Prices stationary in Sudder, and slightly easier in Palamow.
43	Singbhoom „ 17, '88	3·79	Weather—seasonable. All crops doing well.
44	Manbhoom „ 18, '88	7·45	Weather—seasonable. Sufficient rain has fallen throughout the district.
	Govindpur ...	3 35	break appears to be setting in. Transplantation of paddy almost completed. Prospects of autumn crops excellent.

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* STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 18th August 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 25th August 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan August 25, '88	4·86	Weather—bright and windy after 10 days' continuous rain. All good. Some damage done by floods. Prices stationary.
	Cutwa ...	7·28	
	Ranigunge ...	7·95	
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 25, '88	6·91	Weather—seasonable. There has been heavy and continuous rainfall in the last week. Young rice plants and sugarcane are thriving. The prospects of the crops are now good.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum „ 25, '88	5·24	Weather—cold, wet and inclement. The incessant rain has been more than was required, and has done some damage by inundations; otherwise cultivation has made great progress.
	Rampur Haut ...	1·72	
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 25, '88	10·57	Continuous rain on 23rd and 24th; total for the two days 9·95 inches. River in heavy flood. Crops are so far doing well, though rather backward in the south.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli „ 25, '88	8·70	Weather—wet and stormy. The rain of 24th has flooded the low lands and damaged the rice crop thereon.
	Serampur ...	3·11	
	Jehanabad ...	3 84	
	Howrah „ 27, '88	14·21	Rain throughout district. State and prospects of crops good. Reaping of *aus* paddy and jute progressing.
	Oolooberia ...	19 64	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergha. August 28, '88	13·46	Heavy rainfall during the week, attended with strong gale. The heavy rain has damaged the rice crops in many places. In the Diamond Harbour subdivision the paddy plants are reported to have been completely submerged. Transplantation of *amun* and harvesting of *aus* have been retarded owing to the heavy rain.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 25, '88	8·68	Weather—rainy with wind from east; stormy on 24th. *Aus* harvest going on; much *aus* has been lost on the chur lands by inundation. *Amun* prospects fair if inundation does not extend.
	Kushtea ...	2·55	
	Meherpur ...	2·04	
	Chooadanga ...	2·35	
	Ranaghat ...	4·64	
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 25, '88	1·52	Weather—showery, with high winds at times. State and prospects of crops generally good, but the effect of the high winds is not yet known.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 25, '88	4·54	Heavy rain with strong winds. Prospects of standing crops good in all subdivisions except in Magura, where they are said to have been partially damaged by the rain and cyclonic wind of the week.
	Jhenidah ...	2·15	
	Magoora ...	3·08	
	Narail ...	1·36	
	Bongong ...	4·90	
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 25, '88	4·00	Weather—beginning of the week rainy; overcast with mist and high east wind on the 23rd and 24th; alternate sun and rain from this morning (25th). *Aus* has nearly all been cut. Prospects of *amun* favourable. In the Jangipore sub-division *aus* getting submerged by gradual rise of river. Bhagirathee full to the brim, the rise at the gauge being 29′ 3″.
	Kandi ...	4·73	
	Jangipore ...	2·07	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 25, '88	1·23	Weather—windy with constant showers. Recent rain has enabled cultivators to push on transplantation of *haimanti* rice, and prospects have improved.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·62	
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 25, '88	0 92	Cyclonic weather prevailing since night of 22nd. The atmosphere has somewhat brightened this morning (25th). Recent rain has done good to the crops in general. Prospects favourable.
	Nattore ...	1·50	
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 25, '88	1·42	Weather—rainy with strong easterly wind. *Aus* crop being cut; outturn good. Jute being cut and steeped. Transplantation of *amun* retarded for want of sufficient rain.
	Nilphamari ...	0·99	
	Kurigram ...	1·63	
	Gaibandha ...	2·18	
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 25, '88	0 99	Weather—cool and cloudy; heavy rain with high winds during the last two days of the week. Prospects of crops favourable.
	Sherpur ...	2·59	
	Naukhila ...	0·98	
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 25, '88	2·09	Weather—cloudy, showery and stormy. Rivers have unusually risen. Prospects of crops continue good.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 25, '88	8·61	Weather—rainy; some sharp storms. Harvesting going on in the hills. In Terai sowing of *haimanti* rice nearly finished. *Bhadoi* rice and *janera* are being harvested. Prospects favourable.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 25, '88	2·16	Weather—rainy; strong east wind blowing. *Aus* and jute are being cut. Rainfall during the week has improved prospects in the Alipore sub-division, but more rain wanted. Transplanting in progress. Prices stationary.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca August 25, '88	6·74	Weather—cloudy and rainy with frequent storms. Jute and *aus* paddy being cut; outturn good. *Amun* paddy thriving. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	4·47	
	Munshigunge ...	3·6	
	Naraingunge ...	3·51	
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur „ 25, '88	2 99	Weather—showery, with a strong easterly wind. Rivers rising. Prospects of crops fair.
	Goalundo ...	2 89	
	Madaripur ...	2·83	
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge „ 24, '88	5·72	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. Both *aus* and *amun* are being damaged by insects in places. Floods in Dhakhin Shahabazpur have interfered with the transplanting and damaged the newly-planted seedlings.
Dacca Divn. 21	Mymensingh „ 24, '88	4·25	Weather—rainy, cloudy and stormy; very high and strong wind on the 23rd and 24th. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	5·61	
	Kishoregunge ...	1·98	
	Attia ...	5·02	
	Netrokona ...	1·70	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong August 28, '88	14·14	Weather—rainy with high wind sometimes. Transplantation of *amun* continues. *Aus* crop being harvested. Some damage from flood. Prices rising.
23	Noakholly „ 24, '88	5·70	Weather—rainy; strong southerly wind. Reaping of *aus* going on. Some damage to *amun* from excessive rain
	Feuny ...	4·03	
24	Tipperah „ 23, '88	6·84	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* and jute being cut with moderate outturn. The promise of the *amun* crop is excellent.
	Brahmanbariah	7·82	
	Chandpur ...	3·08	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 22, '88	7·77	Seasonable monsoon weather; strong south-east winds with rain showers. All crops doing fairly well, but will be below average. Reaping of early *jum* rice commenced.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah „ 22, '88	3·67	Weather—rainy. *Amun* paddy still being transplanted. *Jum* crops doing well.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 25, '88	2·44	Weather—cool with occasional showers. Transplantation of paddy is still being pushed on. *Bhadoi* doing well, but injured in many places owing to rise of the Ganges.
	Dinapur ...	2·81	
27	Gya „ '88	.....	Report not received.
28	Shahabad „ 25, '88	0·93	Weather—cloudy and seasonable. Transplantation of paddy progressing. More rain wanted in the Buxar sub-division. Prospects of *bhadoi* crops good, except on dearah lands, where they have been damaged by floods of the Ganges and Sone.
	Buxar ...	2·54	
	Sasseram ...	4·93	
	Bhabuah ...	5·83	
29	Durbhunga „ 25, '88	1·15	Weather—occasionally cloudy. Prospects of *bhadoi* crop continue favourable. Rain wanted for transplantation of rice. Southern part of the district inundated by the overflowing of the Ganges. Prices remain almost stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 25, '88	0·86	Weather—rainy and hot. Rain wanted for paddy in Sitamarhi. *Bhadoi* crops on dearah lands in Hajipur have suffered from inundation; elsewhere doing well
	Hajipur ...	3·72	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·80	
31	Sarun „ 25, '88	2·62	Weather—cloudy. Transplantation of paddy continues, but more rain wanted. Prospects of *bhadoi* favourable. Manufacture of indigo going on.
	Sewan ...	0·91	
	Gopalgunge ...	1·26	
32	Chumparun „ 25, '88	1·18	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Transplantation of paddy going on, but retarded in some place for want of rain. *Makai* and *marwa* doing well. Indigo manufacture progressing
	Bettiah ...	0·77	
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 25, '88	3·07	Weather—seasonable; cloudy and stormy this day (25th). Prospects of winter rice good; but *bhadoi* crops damaged by heavy rain and inundation. Ganges in high flood.
	Begusserai ...	3·59	
	Jamui ...	7·57	
34	Bhagulpur „ 23, '88	3·47	Weather—seasonable. Prospects generally good. More rain wanted in Soopole.
	Banka ...	2·51	
	Mudehpura ...	1·07	
	Soopole ...	0·58	
35	Purneah „ 25, '88	4·55	Weather—stormy; high wind and light rain. All crops doing well. *Bhadoi* and jute harvests in progress; good outturn. *Aghani* being transplanted. Rain deficient in north.
	Kishengunge ...	2·58	
	Arrariah ...	3·33	
36	Maldah „ '88	.....	Report not received.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 25, '88	5·73	Weather—overcast and rainy Transplantation of paddy nearly completed. Prospects continue to be good.
	Deoghur ...	3·25	
	Godda ...	1·83	
	Jamtara ...	5·50	
	Pakoor ...	4·20	
	Rajmehal ...	1·85	
ORISSA			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 24, '88	13·10	Weather—cloudy and rainy. *Beali* in ear. *Sarad* being transplanted. Heavy rain of the week has improved the state of crops. In some parts of Banki only prospects of *sarad* reported bad. Common rice 17 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 23, '88	4·92	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Puddling and transplanting of winter crop (*sarad*) going on all over the district, except in some parts of Ruspala, Banchgurh, and Madicagora, where the rainfall is quite insufficient. Early rice (*beali*) in ear. Common rice 18 seers 6 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 15 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division. The Sub-divisional Officer reports: "Labour is now obtainable in the fields. Great distress exists amongst the Savors, Bauries, and other labouring classes, and relief is being given gratuitously and by way of taccavi advances and works."
	Khoordah	3·28	
40	Balasore „ 24, '88	8·33	Weather—seasonable till 21st. Almost incessant rain for the last three days, and much of the country is under water. It is difficult to say at present what damage may have been caused by the floods.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh August '88	.....	Report not received.
42	Lohardugga „ '88	.....	Report not received.
43	Singbhoom „ 24, '88	4·89	Weather—very wet indeed. Indian-corn being reaped. All other crops doing well.
44	Manbhoom „ 25, '88	6·32	Weather—cold and stormy with high westerly winds. The continued rain, though good for rice, is likely to damage autumn crops. *Jonar* has suffered already; other crops, such as *birikalai*, *kodo*, &c., will do well if the rain ceases now. Sugarcane and paddy both doing well.
	Govindpur ...	4·94	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 25th August 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 1st September 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Div. 1	Burdwan Sept. 1, '88	4·67	Weather—cloudy and wet. Prospects of crops favourable, except where damaged by floods which have been severe from the Ajay in Cutwa. Common rice 19 seers per rupee on an average.
	Culna ...	9·20	
	Cutwa ...	1·14	
	Ranigange ...	3·13	
2	Bankoora „ 1, '88	4·52	Weather—seasonable. Rainfall general and copious in the district. *Tetko dhan* is being cut. *Aus* is flowering. Prospects of crops good. Common rice selling at Sudder at 18 seers per rupee.
3	Birbhum „ 1, '88	4·58	Weather—cloudy and frequent rain. The heavy rain is bringing on the rice crop; transplantation is finished and has been carried out very completely. Some damage has been done to transplanted rice near the rivers by floods. The harvest of Indian-corn in the Sonthal tract has been good. Sugarcane has been much damaged by excessive rain.
	Rampur Haut ...	2·47	
4	Midnapur „ 1, '88	4·38	Weather—cloudy with rain on several days. The floods last week, it is feared, have caused a good deal of damage in the Ghatal sub-division, and to a smaller extent in Contai and Head-quarters.
5	Hugli „ 1, '88	4·79	Weather—abnormally wet. Rice crops on high lands spendid; those on low lands damaged by excess of rain water. Damudar floods in Jehanabad have caused some loss of crops. Jute is being cut. Prospects are on the whole good.
	Serampur ...	11·13	
	Jehanabad ...	9·41	
	Howrah „ 3, '88	10·25	Weather—seasonable. Heavy rain has caused floods; crops said to have been seriously injured.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Div. 6	24-Pergns. Sept. 4 '88	6·74	Heavy showers with occasional breaks. The *amun* crops on low lands have been damaged to a considerable extent by the heavy rainfall. Prospects are very unfavourable in the Diamond Harbour sub-division, where the lands have been for days under water. Transplantation has also been retarded owing to the late heavy rain.
7	Nuddea „ 1, '88	2·74	Weather—rainy. *Aus* harvest going on; much *aus* has been lost on the *chur* lands by inundation. Jute and *amun* have also suffered from excessive flooding. Water very high.
	Kushtea ...	2·65	
	Meherpur ...	5·94	
	Chooadanga ...	7·30	
	Ranaghat ...	8·47	
8	Khoolna „ 1, '88	3·90	Weather—showery. *Aus* is being harvested with fair outturn. *Amun* is being transplanted; prospects good.
9	Jessore „ 1, '88	3·66	Weather—seasonable. Rivers rising. Harvesting of *aus* going on. *Amun* in some places damaged to some extent by inundation and storm.
	Jhenidah ...	1·40	
	Magoora ...	3·23	
	Narail ...	1·94	
	Bongong ...	4·00	
10	Moorshedabad „ 1, '88	4·21	Weather—alternate sun and rain. *Amun* transplantation going on. Prospects favourable. *Bhadoi* is being harvested. In the Jangipur sub-division *bhadoi* on dearah lands submerged almost wholly. Bhagiruthee rose to 30′ 2″ on the 29th August, the highest rise ever on record. It is still brimful, but is gradually subsiding. Height at the gauge to-day (1st September) 29′ 10½″.
	Lalbagh ...	5·08	
	Jangipur ...	5·97	
Rajshahye Div. 11	Dinagepur „ 1, '88	4·80	Weather—more settled towards end of week. Heavy rain has enabled the cultivators to transplant a good deal more of the crop, but the work is still backward.
	Thakurgaon ...	3·18	
12	Rajshahye „ 1, '88	2·77	Weather—rainy. Prospects of crops good, but more rain wanted in the Nowgong sub-division. Harvesting of *aus* and jute not yet completed.
	Nattore ...	3·90	
	Nowgong ...	2·33	
13	Rungpur „ 1, '88	4·78	Weather—some rain; cloudy. *Amun* crop prospects much improved by late rain. More rain wanted.
	Nilphamari ...	4·55	
	Kurigram ...	3·34	
	Gaibandha ...	4·09	
14	Bogra „ 1, '88	5·93	Weather—seasonable. All crops doing well. Price of rice stationary.
	Sherpur ...	6·54	
	Naukhila ...	6·05	
15	Pubna „ 1, '88	2·12	Weather—cloudy and showery. Prospects of crops continue good. The unusual floods may do slight injury to *amun* in some places. *Aus* and jute are being reaped
	Serajgung ...	4·78	
16	Darjeeling „ 1, '88	7·48	Weather—fair. Prospects generally favourable. Harvesting of Indian-corn nearly finished. Paddy progressing well. Potatoes only moderate.
17	Julpigoree „ 1, '88	6·22	Weather—beginning of the week hot; latterly cold and showery. Prospects of standing crops good. Harvesting of *aus* paddy in progress. Transplantation of *haimanti* in full swing. Jute is being cut and steeped. Prospects have improved in the Alipore sub-division, but more rain wanted.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Div. 18	Dacca Sept. 1, '88	1·63	Weather—mostly cloudy and hot. *Aus* paddy and jute are being harvested; the former has suffered to some extent from rain and sudden rise of water. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Manickgunge ...	4·46	
	Munshigunge ...	3·77	
	Naraingunge ...	3·48	
19	Furreedpur „ 1, '88	1·01	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops very satisfactory.
	Goalundo ...	4·67	
	Madaripur ...	2·77	
20	Backergunge Aug 31, '88	7·49	Weather—seasonable. Outturn of *aus* poor. *Amun* crop damaged by flood. Prospects fair.
21	Mymensingh „ 31, '88	3·27	Weather—rainy and cloudy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	3·64	
	Kishoregunge ...	3·34	
	Attia ...	3·35	
	Netrokona ...	3·06	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*				
		Eastern Districts—concld.		
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong Sept. 4, '88	6·90	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *aus* not yet over. Transplanting of *amun* continues. Caterpillars making some damage. Prices risen. Cow-pox reported.
	23	Noakholly August 31, '88	13·22	Weather—seasonable. Showers almost every day. Harvesting of *aus* continues. Recent heavy rain has done some damage to *amun*. Coarse rice 20 seers per rupee.
		Fenny ...	12 07	
	24	Tipperah „ 31, '88	9·00	Weather—seasonable; alternate rain and sunshine. The crops promise well, ample rain having fallen. A break is necessary now.
		Brahmanbarish	4·99	
		Chandpur ...	5·19	
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 29, '88	9·10	Weather—rainy throughout the week. Harvesting of early *jum* paddy continues. Transplanting in low lands by plough cultivators nearly finished. Prospects not at all good.
BEHAR.		Hill Tipperah „ 29, '88	5·87	Weather—rainy. Transplantation of *amun* paddy still going on. Prospects of *jum* crops fair.
Patna Divn.	26	Patna Sept. 1, '88	8·81	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Transplantation of paddy progressing. Prospects of *bhadoi* good. Heavy floods have damaged a considerable portion of the *bhadoi*, especially in Behar and Barh. Rice has also suffered from breaching of embankments.
		Dinapur ...	7·76	
		Behar ...	9·69	
		Barh ..	9·90	
	27	Gya „ 1, '88	9·93	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Paddy transplantation still going on. *Bhadoi* considerably injured in parts by excessive rain and floods
	28	Shahabad „ 1, '88	10 60	Weather—hot and cloudy. Rainfall good. Transplantation of paddy nearly completed. Prospects of *bhadoi* continue fair except on low and dearah lands. Sugarcane promises well. Prices steady.
		Buxar ...	11·79	
		Sasseram ...	7·44	
		Bhabuah ...	3·63	
	29	Durbhunga „ 1, '88	4 38	Weather—cloudy. The rainfall of the week has done immense good to the rice crop. The prospects of *bhadoi* are very favourable. *Makai* has begun to be harvested in places. Price of common rice averages 16½ seers per rupee.
	30	Mozufferpur „ 1, '88	5·27	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops on the ground favourable, but there has been less rain in the north of the district than elsewhere, and unless there is good rain there this month, the rice crop will not be a good one. Maize and millet are being cut in places.
		Hajipur ...	6·82	
		Sitamarhi ...	1·29	
	31	Sarun „ 1, '88	7·00	Weather—favourable. Transplantation of paddy is in full swing. Prospect of *bhadoi* continues good except on dearah lands, where they have suffered from inundation.
		Sewan ...	8·07	
		Gopalgunge ...	7·72	
	32	Chumparun „ 1, '88	3·38	Weather—cloudy, with occasional showers. *Makai* and *murwa* generally in ear with good prospects. Rain in some parts very much heavier than at head-quarters. More rain still required in parts. Rain that has fallen has greatly benefited the *aghani* crop, the prospects of which are fair.
		Bettiah ...	2·99	
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr „ 1, '88	6·47	Weather—generally cloudy and rainy. Heavy rain during the week. Transplantation of winter rice retarded in the Jamui sub-division owing to heavy rain. *Bhadoi* crops damaged everywhere. Ganges flood subsiding.
		Begusserai ...	9·34	
		Jamui ...	12·80	
	34	Bhagulpur „ 1, '88	5 34	Weather—seasonable. Prospects good. Standing crops slightly damaged by floods in the Sudder and Banka sub-divisions. Good rain has fallen in Soopole.
		Banka ...	4·93	
		Mudehpura ...	8·43	
		Soopole ...	4·96	
	35	Purneah „ 1, '88	7·41	Weather—fine with showers. *Bhadoi* and jute nearly cut. *Aghani* transplantation going on rapidly.
		Kishengunge ...	1·67	
		Arrareah ...	2·93	
	36	Maldah „ 1, '88	7 98	Good rainfall during the week. Crops on dearah lands injured by inundation. Prospects of *haimanti* rice good; transplanting almost finished.
		Canchal ...	3·36	
		Shibgunge ...	5 13	
		Gajol ...	4·48	
	37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 1, '88	4·44	Weather—stormy and wet. *Janera* and *bhadoi* crops damaged by excessive rain in centre and east. Prospects of winter rice very good.
		Deoghur ...	8·85	
		Godda ...	6 16	
		Jamtara ...	4·83	
		Pakoor ...	6·90	
		Rajmehal ...	14·50	
ORISSA				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack „ 31, '88	6·94	Weather—seasonable. *Biali* ripening. *Sarad* rice doing well. Common rice 17 seers per rupee in town. There was heavy flood last week in Jajpur and Kendrapara, and lands were under water, but the flood subsided soon.
	39	Pooree „ 30, '88	2 16	
		Khoordah ...	7·16	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Late rain has done much good to rice crop. *Laghu* and *sarad* rice being puddled. *Biali* harvest begun. *Mandia* nearly ripe. Common rice 18 seers 11 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 15 seers 15 chittacks per rupee in the Khoordah sub-division.
	40	Balasore August 31, '88	3·44	Weather—normal. Floods have done some damage, especially to *aus*, which is now in ear, and to sugarcane. Extent of damage not yet ascertained. Where there have been no floods the crops are doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
		South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn.	41	Hazaribagh August 31, '88	7·46	Incessant and heavy rain up to 28th, a break since the 29th. *Bhadoi* crops damaged to some extent by excessive rain. Transplanting of rice almost completed; prospects very good. Prices continue high all over the district.
	42	Lohardugga Sept. 1, '88	2·88	Weather—rainy. Rain throughout the week. Transplantation of rice is nearly over. *Bhadoi* crop is reported to be a failure in Palamow. Prospects of paddy good. Prices fairly steady, but price of rice risen slightly.
		Pal mow ...	4·06	
	43	Singbhoom Aug. 31, '88	4·28	Weather—very wet. Excellent reports on the state of the crops from all parts of the district.
	44	Manbhoo , '88	3·77	Weather—cold and damp. Continued rain is damaging the autumn crops. A break is much required. Prospects of rice good.
		Govin ...	3·88	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 1st September 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 8th September 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Sept. 8, '88	2·20	Weather—bright, but cloudy at intervals with occasional showers. Prospects of crops favourable, except where damaged by floods. Common rice 19 seers per rupee on an average.
	Culna ...	2·19	
	Cutwa ...	1·26	
	Ranigunge ...	2·60	
2	Bankoora „ 8, '88	1·84	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* ripening. *Amun* coming on well. Sugarcane slightly damaged by recent heavy showers in the Bishenpore sub-division. Prices have slightly fallen.
3	Birbhum „ 8, '88	1·61	Weather—generally fine with cloudy and showery intervals. Rice and sugarcane doing well, the present weather being very suitable. Hemp being harvested.
	Ilambazar Haut	4·52	
4	Midnapur „ 8, '88	1·74	Weather—cool. There is an appearance of a break in the rains. The floods are found to have done a great deal of damage in the Ghatal sub-division. Nearly the whole of the winter paddy in thana Daspur and in about 40 square miles of Ghatal have been destroyed. In Contai the damage will be also considerable, but in Tumluk and Head-quarters rather less. On high grounds and where the floods did not reach, the crop is very promising.
5	Hugli „ 8, '88	1·70	Weather—normal. Crops on high lands good; those on low and flooded lands much damaged.
	Serampur ...	2·55	
	Jehanabad ...	4·02	
	Howrah „ 10, '88	0·88	Weather—seasonable. Some damage done by floods.
	Oolooberiah ...	0·86	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergha. Sept. 11 '88	1·28	Weather—seasonable and showery. Prospects of the late rice crops very unfavourable in the Diamond Harbour sub-division. In the other sub-divisions, with the exception of some damage done by floods in the low lands, prospects are fair. Harvesting of *aus* has been resumed. Transplantation of *amun* is still going on in places.
7	Nuddea „ 8, '88	1·07	Weather—close and rainy. *Aus* harvest continues; outturn fair in Meherpore, not good elsewhere on account of the floods. *Amun* prospects doubtful till floods subside.
	Kushtea ...	2·08	
	Meherpur ...	0·82	
	Chooadanga ...	1·55	
	Ranaghat ...	2·71	
8	Khoolna „ 8, '88	1·59	Weath wery. Prospects of crops generally good. er—sho
9	Jessore „ 8, '88	1·15	Weather—hot and cloudy with occasional showers. Rivers still rising. Harvesting of *aus* continues. *Amun* has been submerged in some places. Prospects fair.
	Jhenidah ...	2·30	
	Magoora ...	1·47	
	Narail ...	2·18	
	Bongong ...	2·82	
10	Moorshedabad „ 8, '88	1·04	Weather—bright with occasional showers. Prospects of *amun* favourable. *Bhadoi* cutting completed in the Sudder sub-division. In other sub-divisions it is being harvested. In Jungipore *bhadoi* on low lands submerged. There had been a storm there on the night of the 5th. Bhagiruthee subsiding, height at the gauge to-day (8th) being 28′ 4½″.
	Lalbagh ...	1·77	
	Kandi ...	1·22	
	Jangipur ...	0·83	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 8, '88	1·10	Weather—cloudy and rainy, alternating with hot sun. Transplantation nearly finished. *Aus* harvest commenced.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·49	
12	Rajshahye „ 8, '88	0·62	Weather—very hot sun. Rain wanted for transplantation of *amun* and for steeping of jute. *Aus* still being harvested. Rice a little dearer—21 seers per rupee.
	Nattore ...	1·70	
	Nowgong ...	2·53	
13	Rungpur „ 8, '88	1·28	Weather—hot and dry with occasional storms. Rain deficient, and prospects of *amun* crop not improved.
	Nilphamari ...	0·27	
	Kurigram ...	Nil	
	Gaibandha ...	Nil	
14	Bogra „ 8, '88	·85	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *aus* nearly complete. Transplantation of *amun* continues.
	Sherpur ...	2·16	
	Naukhila ...	·36	
15	Pubna „ 8, '88	1·66	Weather—variable with occasional showers; sometimes very hot. Prospects of *amun* still good. It has been damaged in some places owing to unusual flood. The rivers are subsiding.
	Serajgunge ...	0·48	
16	Darjeeling „ 8, '88	2·53	Weather—sultry with occasional showers. All crops, except the potato crop, promise well.
17	Julpigoree „ 8, '88	3·53	Weather—cloudy and warm. Harvesting of *aus* paddy nearly finished. Transplantation of *kaimanti* going on. In the Alipore subdivision *kaimanti* seedlings, which have been transplanted, are said to be withering, but some good may be done if heavy rain falls during this month.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Sept. 8, '88	2·75	Weather—fine with occasional rain. Jute and *aus* paddy being harvested; outturn good. *Amun* paddy thriving. Prospects good. Water gradually decreasing.
	Manickgunge ...	0·83	
	Munshigunge ...	1·14	
	Naraingunge ...	2·15	
19	Furreedpur „ 8, '88	3·06	Weather—cloudy with occasional showers. Prospects of crops satisfactory.
	Goalundo ...	1·77	
	Madaripur ...	0·60	
20	Backergunge „ 7, '88	1·87	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. *Aus* and *amun* have suffered from floods and insects.
21	Mymensingh „ 7, '88	2·57	Weather—cloudy and rainy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	1·11	
	Kishoregunge ...	6·89	
	Attia ...	1·08	
	Netrokona ...	6·00	

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	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Sept. 11, '88	2·39	Weather—bright at day, rainy at night. Harvesting of *aus* continues. Transplantation of *amun* goes on. Prices ready.
23	Noakholly „ 7, '88	2·65	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *aus* almost completed. Transplantation of *amun* continues.
	Feuny ...	3·18	
24	Tipperah „ 6, '88	3·43	Weather—in every way most seasonable *Aus* has not yielded more than a 10-anna crop. Prospects of *amun* excellent.
	Brahmanbarish	0·83	
	Chandpur ...	1·90	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 5, '88	3·35	Weather—rainy except on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th instant. Harvesting of *jum* paddy continues. Transplanting of plough paddy in low lands not finished. Prospects not good.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah „ 5, '88	1·71	Weather—hot. Transplanting of *amun* paddy nearly over. Sugarcane and *jum* crops doing well.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 8, '88	1·85	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Bhadoi* crops destroyed by flood in almost all parts of the district. Paddy greatly injured in Dinapur and Behar sub-divisions, and about 4 annas spoilt in Barh. Prices high in Behar owing to the absence of any means of communication with places from which grain is imported.
27	Gya ...	.....	Report not received.
28	Shahabad „ 8, '88	2·61	Weather—clear and cloudy at intervals Crops on low lands have suffered considerably. A break in the rains is now generally needed. *Bhadoi* harvest has commenced. Prices have slightly risen.
	Buxar ...	4·39	
	Sasseram ...	3·10	
	Bhabuah ...	3·55	
29	Durbhunga „ 8, '88	2·66	Weather—seasonable. *Bhadoi* crops are being harvested. Transplantation of rice progressing favourably. Indigo manufacture still going on. Common rice 16 seers per rupee on an average.
30	Mozufferpur „ 8, '88	0·81	Weather—rainy in the first-half of the week; since cloudy and occasionally clear; wind variable. Prospects of crops favourable, except in Sitamarhi where more rain is wanted for paddy. Millet and maize being harvested.
	Hajipur ...	2·38	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·96	
31	Sarun „ 8, '88	2·36	Weather—seasonable. Transplantation of paddy still going on. *Bhadoi* crops doing well.
	Sewan ...	1·03	
	Gopalgunge ...	1·81	
32	Chumparun „ 8, '88	1·56	Weather—cloudy. *Makai* and *murwa* doing well. Paddy in fair condition, but more rain will do good. Prices generally higher than those of the corresponding period of last year.
	Bettiah ...	2·21	
Bhagulpur Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 8, '88	5·73	Weather—seasonable; mostly cloudy and rainy. Prospects of winter rice favourable, except where damaged by heavy rain. The recent heavy floods from the Ganges have destroyed a considerable portion of *bhadoi* in the Begusarai sub-division.
	Beguserai ...	3·70	
	Jamui ...	5·17	
34	Bhagulpur „ 8, '88	0·89	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Banka ...	2·98	
	Mudehpura ...	5·16	
	Soopole ...	4·65	
35	Purneah „ 8, '88	1·68	Weather—fair with heavy showers. *Bhadoi* nearly reaped with a moderate outturn; jute good. *Aghani* backward for want of rain.
	Kishengunge ...	1·37	
	Arrareah ...	1·14	
36	Maldah „ 8, '88	2·27	Weather—fair with occasional showers. *Bhadoi* paddy being reaped; outturn expected to be 8 annas. Floods subsiding. Transplanting of winter rice almost finished. More rain would be beneficial in some parts.
	Chanchal ...	1·66	
	Shibgunge ...	2·08	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 8, '88	0·85	Weather—still wet, but there has been a break in the rains. *Janera* and low *dhan* have been injured by too much rain. Prospects of rice favourable.
	Deoghur ...	4·43	
	Godda ...	1·88	
	Jamtara ...	2·66	
	Pakoor ...	5·32	
	Rajmehal ...	1·24	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 7, '88	3·77	Weather—warm. *Sarad* being transplanted. *Biali* rice ripening and being cut in places, but suffered a good deal in some parts of Jajpore and Kendrapara from the last flood. Common rice sells at 16¼ seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 6, '88	0·02	Weather—seasonable. Transplanting and weeding of winter crops (*sarad*) going on. *Biali* and *mandia* are being harvested. Relief is still being given gratuitously and in advances under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and in miscellaneous improvement works, &c. Average price of common rice 19 seers per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 17 seers 11 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	Khoordah ..	1·19	
40	Balasore „ 7, '88	5·01	Weather—warm and dry till yesterday (6th), when heavy rain fell. Outside the flooded tracts in the valley of the Subarnarekha and round Chandbally the crops seem generally to be doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh Sept. 7, '88	3·07	Weather—seasonable; moderate rain. Excessive rain has injured Indian-corn severely in parts. Transplanting completed. Prospects of late rice very good.
42	Lohardugga Sept. 8, '88	2·41	Weather—alternate sunshine and rain throughout the week. All crops doing well in the Head-quarters sub-division. In the Palamow sub-division *bhadoi* is a failure, but paddy promises well. Prices stationary
	Palamow ...	0·43	
43	Singbhoom „ 7, '88	2·13	Weather—seasonable; rain and sunshine alternately. *Bhadoi* being harvested. Rice very favourably reported on from all sides.
44	Manbhoom „ 8, '88	4·89	Weather—alternate sunshine and rain. Prospects of *jonar* and other autumn crops moderate. Outturn of *jonar* estimated at from 4 to 14 annas. Prospects of paddy good.
	Govindpur ...	2·44	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 8th September 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 15th September 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Sept. 15, '88	4·13	Weather—bright and excessively hot. All good, except in the flooded tracts, the extent of which is under enquiry. It is estimated at 150 square miles. Prices rising. Common rice now 18 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	2·77	
	Cutwa ...	2·84	
	Ranigunge ...	0·56	
2	Bankoora „ 15, '88	0·17	Weather—hot. A break in the rains. Weeding of *amun* proceeds. *Aus* ripening. Damage has been done to this crop by floods in the low-lying tracts in Sonamookhi.
3	Birbhum „ 15, '88	1·21	Weather—seasonable; generally fine with occasional showers. Prospects of rice very good.
	Rampur Haut ...	10·96	
4	Midnapur „ 15, '88	1·34	There has been a break in the rains with a hot sun. Further reports from Contai show a heavy loss in pergunnahs Patashpur and Bhagwanpur, and considerable damage in Contai and Egra thanas. In Head-quarters part of Sabang thanna has lost all crops.
5	Hugli „ 15, '88	2·78	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good except on flooded lands, some of which are being re-transplanted.
	Serampur ...	3·52	
	Jehanabad ...	4·35	
	Howrah „ 17, '88	1·89	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. Some damage to paddy from floods. Jute and sugarcane suffered slightly.
	Oooloobcriah ...	0·97	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergha. Sept. 18 '88	2·56	Weather—seasonable. State of crops fair in all sub-divisions, with the exception of those in low lands and in Diamond Harbour. Harvesting of *aus* continues. Transplantation of *amun* almost completed.
7	Nuddea „ 15, '88	1·68	Weather—hot. *Aus* harvest continues; outturn estimated at ten annas in Meherpur and six annas in Sudder. *Amun* doing fairly in south; not well in north. Flood water subsiding.
	Kushtea ...	0·92	
	Meherpur ...	2·89	
	Chooadanga ...	1·65	
	Ranaghat ...	3·12	
8	Khoolna „ 15, '88	0·54	Weather—hot with occasional showers. Prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 15, '88	0·65	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Aus* has suffered from floods. Harvesting nearly over. *Amun* doing well. Jute-cutting still going on.
	Jhenidah ...	0·84	
	Magoora ...	2·78	
	Narail ...	0·26	
	Bongong ...	1·04	
10	Moorshedabad „ 15, '88	1·80	Weather—clear and hot. Wind from the east. Prospects of *amun* paddy not bad. Reaping of *bhadoi* over in Sudder, but continues in sub-divisions. Bhagiruthi subsiding.
	Lalbagh ...	1·79	
	Kandi ...	2·50	
	Jangipur ...	4·96	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 15, '88	1·89	Weather—strong sun with occasional showers. Transplantation finished and present prospects favourable.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·77	
12	Rajshahye „ 15, '88	1·85	Weather—extremely hot. Condition of *amun* and other crops generally good. Harvesting of *aus* and jute nearly completed. More rain wanted in portions of Nowgong sub-division.
	Nattore ...	6·65	
13	Rungpur „ 15, '88	3·44	Weather—hot. Copious rain during the week has benefited the *amun* crop. Harvesting of *aus* nearly finished. Jute is still being cut and steeped.
	Nilphamari ...	3·03	
	Kurigram ...	7·09	
	Gaibandha ...	1·89	
14	Bogra „ 15, '88	2·54	Slight rain all through the week. Prospects of all standing crops good.
	Sherpur ...	2·54	
	Naukhila ...	2·64	
15	Pubna „ 15, '88	0·92	Weather—warm. Prospects of crops good.
	Serajgunge ...	0·57	
16	Darjeeling „ 15, '88	4·97	Weather—fine and warm. *Bhadoi* rice in Silliguri is below average owing to scanty rain. Rain is needed for *amun*. Hill crops are doing well.
17	Julpigoree „ 15, '88	3·92	Weather—very hot for the time of year. In the Head-quarters sub-division transplantation of *haimanti* going on, but in the Alipore sub-division stopped for want of rain. Prospects look gloomy in Alipore. Jute is being cut, but there is very little water for steeping the crop. Price of rice remains unchanged.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Sept. 15, '88	.....	Weather—mostly cloudy and hot. Harvesting of *aus* paddy and jute going on. *Amun* paddy and sugarcane thriving. Prospects of crops good. Rivers falling.
	Manickgunge ...	1·3	
	Naraingunge ...	2·72	
19	Furreedpur „ 15, '88	3·83	Weather—seasonable. Condition and prospects of all crops good.
	Goalundo ...	0·37	
20	Backergunge „ 13, '88	1·39	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. *Aus* and *amun* have suffered from floods, especially in Bhola and parts of Patuakhali.
21	Mymensingh „ 14, '88	6·60	Heavy rain on the 11th and 12th. Weather fair. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	2·63	
	Kishoregunge ...	4·97	
	Attia ...	0·88	
	Netrokona ...	2·49	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong Sept. 18, '88	3·22	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* is being harvested. Prospects of *amun* fair. Prices unchanged.
23	Noakholly „ 14, '88	1 27	Weather—warm and sultry. Reaping of *aus* finished. Transplantation of *amun* going on. Prospects very fair.
	Fenny ...	7·89	
24	Tipperah „ 13, '88	2·57	Weather—seasonable, but very close at times. Prospects of *amun* very good, its present condition being everything that could be desired.
	Brahmanbariah	4·60	
	Chandpur ...	2·48	
25	Chittagong Hill „ 11, '88 Tracts.	2·49	Weather—hot with occasional showers of rain, except on the 9th and 10th. Harvesting of *jum* paddy continues. Transplanting of late rice in low lands nearly over. Prospect not good.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah „ 12, '88	3·17	Weather—rainy. Prospects of crops favourable.
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna „ 15, '88	0·24	Weather—hot and clear. Prospects of the rice crop on the high lands in the Behar sub-division are on the whole favourable, but the rice on the low lands has been washed away throughout the district. Prices of food-grains are still high in the Behar sub-division owing to the absence of any means of communication.
	Behar ...	1·71	
	Dinapúr ...	0·68	
27	Gya „ 18, '88	0·51	*Marua* and *makai* are being harvested. Paddy coming on well, though injured in places by heavy rainfall and flood.
28	Shahabad „ 15, '88	0·83	Weather—clear and cloudy alternately. Harvesting of *bhadoi* crops continues; these crops in low lands have suffered considerably on account of excessive rain. Prospects of paddy are hopeful. Prices have a tendency to rise.
	Sasseram ...	3·46	
	Bhabuah ...	5·00	
29	Durbhunga „ 15, '88	0 90	Weather—seasonable. *Bhadoi* crops are being harvested. Prospects of rice continue favourable. Price of common rice averages 16 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 15, '88	1·10	Weather—clear. Prospects of crops favourable throughout the district, but rain is much wanted in northern part of the district for paddy. Maize and millet being harvested.
	Sitamarhi ...	0 68	
	Hajipur ...	2·01	
31	Sarun „ 15, '88	1·60	Weather—rainy. Transplantation of paddy almost completed. Prospects favourable. *Bhadoi* on low lands damaged to some extent by heavy rain.
	Sewan ...	9·92	
	Gopalgunge ...	5·62	
32	Chumparun „ 15, '88	4·10	Weather—hot with bright sunshine. Transplantation of paddy still going on in parts of the Bettiah sub-division. More rain is needed in some parts of the district. Maize and millet being harvested. Common rice selling at 17 seers per rupee.
	Bettiah ...	5·47	
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr „ 15, '88	3·57	Weather—bright and sultry. A break in the rains. Prospects of winter continue favourable. *Bhadoi* being reaped with fair outturn, except parts of Beguserai, where it has been absolutely destroyed.
	Beguserai ...	4·38	
	Jamui ...	1·11	
34	Bhagulpur „ 15, '88	3·45	Weather—much warmer. Prospects of crops good.
	Banka ...	1·89	
	Mudehpura ...	2 29	
	Soopole ...	1·11	
35	Purneah „ 15, '88	1·06	Weather—bright and hot. More rain wanted for transplanting *aghani* on high ground.
	Kishengunge ...	2·14	
	Arrareah ...	2·07	
36	Maldah „ 15, '88	2 68	Weather—clear and bright. *Bhadoi* paddy is still being reaped; 8 annas outturn expected. Winter paddy is doing well at present.
	Chanchal ...	3·34	
	Shibgunge ...	3·67	
	Gajol ...	3·21	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 14, '88	1·19	Weather—sunshine with occasional showers. Prospects of *aghani* crops good. *Janera* has suffered from the recent heavy rain.
	Deoghur ...	2 07	
	Godda ...	3·16	
	Jamtara ...	4·45	
	Pakoor ...	3·93	
	Rajmehal ...	0·99	
ORISSA			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack „ ...	3·77	Report not received.
39	Pooree „ 13, '88	1·38	Weather—seasonable. Transplanting and weeding of the winter crop (*serad*) are going on. Early rice (*beali*) and *mandia* are being harvested. Miscellaneous crops of the season are doing well. Common rice 19 seers 6 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 17 seers 6 chittacks in the Koordah sub-division.
	Khoordah	1·12	
40	Balasore „ 14, '88	0·88	Weather—warm and cloudy. *Beali* rice being harvested in Bhudruck sub-division. Much damage caused by floods in low lands; elsewhere crops promise well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh Sept. 14, '88	3·25	Weather—seasonable. Moderate rain. Indian-corn has yielded from 8 to 12 annas. *Goondli* is being cut in places. Prospects of winter rice very good.
42	Lohardurga „ 15, '88	2·55	Weather—seasonable. Rain throughout the week. Early paddy has reached its maturity at head-quarters. Winter paddy is good all over the district. Prices as before.
	Palamow ...	4·55	
43	Singbhoom „ 14, '88	2·00	A break in the rains. Indian-corn has suffered somewhat from the recent very constant rainfall; other *bhadoi* crops yielding fair outturn. Winter rice flourishing No cattle-disease.
44	Manbhoom „ 15, '88	1·41	Weather—alternate sunshine and rain; the former prevailing. Prospects of *jonar* have improved, and an average of 12-anna crop throughout the district is expected. Other *bhadoi* crops are rather better. Rice and sugarcane are doing well. Ploughing for the spring crops has begun.
	Govindpur ...	2·21	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 15th September 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 22nd September 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Sept. 22, '88	2·11	Weather—hot with occasional showers. Prospects of crops good, except where damaged by floods. Common rice 18 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	1·02	
	Cutwa ...	0·46	
	Ranigunge ...	1·80	
2	Bankoora „ 22, '88	1·82	Weather—hot with occasional showers, *Aus* being reaped. *Amun* doing well.
3	Birbhum „ 22, '88	1·93	Weather—fine with occasional storms. Prospects of rice very good, but of sugarcane not very good.
	Rampur Hat ...	0·66	
4	Midnapur „ 22, '88	3·57	Weather—getting warmer; occasional showers. The flood water is still lying on much of the country in Sabung, Pataspur and Bhugwanpur thanas, where drainage is at present impossible. In some places the ryots have been re-sowing, and in others planting *boro* for seed. The *amun*, where not damaged, is doing well. The Tamluk report states that all pergunnahs have suffered more or less. In Tamluk pergunnah the outturn is likely to be 8 annas. In Kasijora, Doro, and part of Mondal Ghat, the damage has been greatest; three-eighths of Doro are thought to have been properly protected. Estimates at this date can, however, be only very rough ones.
5	Hugli „ 22, '88	1·66	Weather—seasonable. Re-transplantation going on in flooded tracts where seedlings are available. Prospects of crops on high lands good.
	Serampur ...	3·42	
	Johanabad ...	2·36	
	Howrah „ 24, '88	1·46	Weather—seasonable. Much paddy lost through floods, otherwise prospects promising.
	Colooberiah ...	1·71	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Sept. 25, '88	1·86	Weather—Signs of breaking up of rains; cold-weather look in the morning. Prospects of the late rice crops very unfavourable in a considerable number of villages in the Diamond Harbour sub-division, which suffered from floods after the heavy rain at the end of August. In the other sub-divisions, with the exception of the crops in a few places which were also flooded, prospects are good. Harvesting of *aus* continues.
7	Nuddea „ 22, 88	1·56	Weather—cloudy. Floods subsiding. *Aus* harvest finished in Meherpore and continues elsewhere. Outturn estimated at 12 annas in Ranaghat sub-division; 10 annas in Meherpore and Chuadanga; 6 annas in Sudder and Kushtea. Prospects of *amun* good in Ranaghat and Chuadanga; poor elsewhere. Sowing of *kalai* begun.
	Kushtea ...	1·00	
	Meherpur ...	0·65	
	Chooadanga ...	1·15	
	Ranaghat ...	1·71	
8	Khoolna „ 22, '88	2·69	Weather—hot with occasional showers. State and prospects of crops generally good
9	Jessore „ 22, '88	2·90	Weather—rather hot. Rivers going down. *Aus* harvesting nearly at an end.
	Jhenidah ..	1·41	Prospects of *amun* fair. Jute manufacture going on. Average price of rice 19½ seers per rupee.
	Magoora ...	0·96	
	Narail ...	0·62	
	Bongong ...	1·90	
10	Moorshedabad „ 22, '88	1·83	Weather—bright and hot. *Amun* getting on nicely. Harvesting of *bhadoi* still going on in Lalbagh sub-division. *Kalai* is being sown. Bhagiruthee fallen down considerably.
	Lalbagh ...	0·61	
	Kandi ...	0·61	
	Jangipur ...	0·95	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 22, '88	0·97	Weather—hot and cloudy. More rain wanted for the standing crops.
	Thakurgaon ...	2·70	
12	Rajshahye „ 22, '88	1·33	Weather—cool. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Nattore ...	2·40	
	Nowgong ..	1·84	
13	Rungpur „ 22, '88	1·96	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Amun* prospects improved. Jute being cut and steeped.
	Gaibandha ...	1·5	
	Kurigram ...	1·25	
	Nilphamari ...	2·16	
14	Bogra „ 22, '88	1·97	Weather—warm with occasional showers. Harvesting of *aus* nearly completed; outturn about 8 annas. *Amun* is thriving well. Condition of sugarcane good. Price of common rice steady.
	Sherpur ...	1·3	
	Naukhila ...	1·57	
15	Pubna „ 22, '88	0·83	Weather—hot, cloudy and rainy. Rivers subsiding. Prospects of *amun* good, but not everywhere the same owing to the fall of water. Jute and sugarcane now seem better. Reaping of *aus* finished.
	Serajgunge ...	1·05	
16	Darjeeling „ 22, '88	3·53	Weather—warm with passing showers. Terai crops require more rain. Crops in the hills doing well.
17	Julpigoree „ 22, '88	4·28	Weather—hot and cloudy. Harvesting of *aus* paddy over except in thana Boda, where it is still going on. The slight rain that has fallen in the Alipore sub-division has done some good to the *haimanti* seedlings. Transplantation is quite stopped. More rain urgently wanted. *Bhadoi* crop good everywhere. Good rain at Julpigoree.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Sept. 22, '88	0·40	Weather—hot. *Aus* paddy and jute nearly harvested; outturn good. *Amun* paddy thriving. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·48	
	Munshigunge ...	1·70	
	Naraingunge ...	1·58	
19	Furreedpur „ 22, '88	1·40	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair.
	Goalundo ...	0·45	
	Madaripur ...	2·01	
20	Backergunge „ 21, '88	1·44	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair, except in Bhola, where the state of the crops is reported to be unpromising. Damage by insects and floods still reported in places.
21	Mymensingh „ 21, '88	2·35	Weather—hot with occasional rain. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	2·20	
	Kishoregunge ...	3·74	
	Attia ...	1·21	
	Netrokona ...	2·69	

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	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**			
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong	Sept. 25, '88	4·40	Weather—seasonable. *Aus* still being harvested. Transplantation continues. Paddy seedlings destroyed by floods in some places. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly	„ 21, '88	3 51	Weather—warm, sultry, generally clear. Recent rain has done good to the transplanted *amun*. Prospects very fair.
	Fenny	...	4 49	
24	Tipperah	„ 20, '88	2 94	Weather—seasonable; sun and rain alternately. Prospects of crops excellent, there being plenty of water everywhere. Plants strong and healthy.
	Brahmanbariah	.	2·85	
	Chandpur	...	1·49	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts.	„ 19, '88	2·58	Weather—excessively hot throughout the week; 14th and 17th were rainy in the evening. Harvesting of *jum* paddy still continues. Transplanting of late rice crop in low lands still continues in some places. Prospects of paddy crop not good.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah	„ 20, '88	2 21	Weather—moist with occasional showers. *Amun* paddy doing well. Prospects of *jum* crops fair.
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna	„ 23, '88	0·58	Weather—clear. Transplantation of paddy almost completed. *Bhadoi* outturn will be very poor, perhaps two annas throughout district. Rice crop much damaged by floods. Fodder scarce. Prices of food-grains high.
	Bayh	...	1·15	
	Behar	...	1·51	
	Dinapur	...	0·50	
27	Gya	„ 22, '88	0·51	Weather—hot. *Bhadoi* crops being harvested. Paddy coming on well.
28	Shahabad	„ 22, '88	0·18	Weather—bright and clear almost the whole week Harvesting of *bhadoi* crops nearly completed. Prospects of paddy and sugarcane fair. Prices rising.
	Buxar	...	1·46	
	Sasseram	...	1·02	
29	Durbhunga	„ 22, '88	0 72	Weather—hot. *Bhadoi* crops still being harvested. More rain wanted for rice crop. Indigo manufacture still going on. Prices rising, common rice 14½ seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 22, '88	1·40	Weather—hot and cloudy. Transplantation of paddy almost over, but rain urgently wanted in the north of the Sitamarhi sub-division, where in some parts paddy has not been transplanted for want of rain. Reaping of *bhadoi* crops has commenced.
	Hajipur	...	0 74	
	Sitamarhi	...	0·70	
31	Sarun	„ 22, '88	0·90	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Gopalgunge	...	0·57	
32	Chumparun	„ 22 '88	0 29	Weather—hot and fair. Transplantation of paddy almost completed, but rain wanted in some parts of the district. *Bhadoi* being harvested, with fair outturn.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr	„ 22, '88	0·49	Weather—bright and hot; west wind prevailing since 21st. Winter rice coming on well, except on flooded parts. Harvesting of *bhadoi* crops continues.
	Begusserai	...	1·19	
	Jamui	...	0·60	
34	Bhagulpur	„ 22, '88	1 60	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Banka	...	1·02	
	Mudehpura	...	2 47	
	Soopole	...	2·07	
35	Purneah	„ 22, '88	1·49	Weather—hot and showery. *Bhadoi*, 12 annas outturn; jute, 16 annas outturn; *aghani*, 12 annas, doing well, 4 annas not transplanted. More rain wanted.
	Kishengunge	...	2·31	
	Arrareah	...	1·13	
36	Maldah	„ 22, '88	1·65	Weather—fair and hot. Winter rice and *kalai* crops doing well. Rain needed in some parts for winter rice.
	Chanchal	...	0·50	
	Shibgunge	...	1·38	
	Gajol	...	1·98	
37	Sonthal Perghs.	„ 22, '88	1·28	Weather—fair with occasional sudden showers. *Bhadoi* crops deficient: *Janera* short and rice spoilt by floods. *Aghani dhan* prospects excellent. *Kalai* sowing begins.
	Deoghur	...	2 30	
	Godda	...	1·20	
	Jamtara	...	·77	
	Pakour	...	3·56	
	Rajmehal	...	2·27	
ORISSA				
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack	„ 21, '88	4·38	Weather—cloudy and hot. Cyclone of 16th caused damage in some places to *beali* rice, which was ripening. Low *sarad* lands that suffered to some extent are again being transplanted. Rainfall of last week was favourable for rice crop. Price of rice almost unchanged.
39	Pooree	„ 20, '88	3·28	Weather—seasonable. Rainfall during the week has done great good to the winter rice crop in general. Early rice (*beali*) is being harvested. The cyclonic storm has done damage to early rice, mandia and other crops. Common rice 19 seers 6 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 16 seers 6 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	Khoordah	..	7·68	
40	Balasore	„ 21, '88	6·42	Weather—cyclonic early in the week; now more settled *Aus* rice and *til* being harvested. *Sarad* rice and other crops doing well outside flooded areas.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
	South-West Frontier Agency.			
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh	Sept. 21, '88	2 77	Weather—seasonable. Moderate rain. Indian-corn, *marua* and *goondli* being harvested; outturn fair, except of Indian-corn, which has suffered considerably from excessive rain. Prospects of winter rice very good. Oil-seeds being sown. Lands being prepared for *rubbi* crops.
42	Lohardugga	„ 22, '88	1·35	Weather—seasonable; sunshine and rain during the week. Early paddy being harvested. Prospects of crops good. Prices stationary.
	Palamow	...	2 12	
43	Singbhoom	„ 21, '88	1·52	Weather—seasonable. Indication of rains breaking up. Prospects excellent in all parts. *Bhadoi* will probably give an outturn of 12 annas all round.
44	Manbhoom	„ 22, '88	2·46	Weather—bright and warm. Autumn crops being reaped; probable outturn varies from 10 to 14 annas. Prospects of rice excellent.
	Govindpur	..	0·70	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 29th September 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan Sept. 29, '88	0·20	Weather—bright and dry. Crops excellent, except in area of loss or serious damage by floods which is 50 square miles. General prospects very good; common rice stationary at a little over 18 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	Nil	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Ranigunge ...	0 25	
2	Bankoora „ 29, '88	0·64	Weather—very hot. Rain only on one day. Harvesting of *aus* continues; yield below average. *Amun* prospects good. Prices stationary.
3	Birbhum „ 29, '88	1·75	Weather—sultry. Prospects of rice and sugarcane good.
	Rampur Hât ...	0·85	
4	Midnapur „ 29 '88	0·91	Weather—one or two showers and hot sun. Floods beginning to subside in places. In Contai they can only dry up, as there is no drainage. Some land has been retransplanted with winter rice in Ghatal. The crops uninjured are doing well.
5	Hugli „ 29, '88	0·05	Weather—hot and dry. Crops on high lands promise well. Jute is being cut. Ploughing for *rubbi* has begun.
	Serampur ...	0·04	
	Jehanabad ...	0·28	
	Howrah Oct. 1, '88	1·16	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops fair.
	Oolooberiah ...	0·64	
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Pergns. Oct. 2, '88	2·52	Weather—hot and oppressive. Prospects of the crops bad in parts of the Diamond Harbour sub-division, but excellent in the Basirhat sub-division, and good elsewhere. Harvesting of *aus* continues.
7	Nuddea Sept. 29, '88	1·53	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Aus* harvest nearly finished; general outturn not good. *Amun* prospects poor except in Ranaghat and Chooadanga. Ploughing and sowing for winter crops in progress.
	Kooshtea ...	4·30	
	Meherpur ...	1·14	
	Chooadanga ...	1·10	
	Ranaghat ...	0·80	
8	Khoolna „ 29, '88	0·12	Weather—hot. State and prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 29, '88	2·65	Weather—seasonable Waters receding fast. Prospects of *amun* good in all sub-divisions except Bongong. Manufacture of jute nearly over.
	Jhenidah ...	1·28	
	Magoora ...	0·13	
	Narail ...	0·63	
	Bongong ...	0·05	
10	Moorshedabad „ 29, '88	0·03	Weather—bright and hot. Prospects of *amun* good. *Bhadoi* harvesting completed. *Kalai* being sown and in places plants are out. A rise in the river again—slight though.
	Lalbagh ...	0·92	
	Kandi ...	Nil	
	Jangipur ...	0·23	
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 29, '88	0·94	Weather—hot with bright sunshine. The want of rain for the standing crops is beginning to be urgently felt.
	Thakurgaon ...	0·40	
12	Rajshahye „ 29, '88	0·95	Weather—hot and rainy. Average outturn of *aus* 10 annas. Prospects of crops generally good.
	Nattore ...	4·35	
	Nowgong ..	2 03	
13	Rungpur „ 29, '88	0 83	Weather—dry and clear. The rainfall has benefited the *amun* crop, though it will yield less than the average.
	Nilphamari ...	0·49	
	Kurigram ...	4·95	
	Gaibandha ...	3·31	
14	Bogra „ 29, '88	·32	Weather—hot for this season of the year. Harvesting of rice over. Jute steeping still going on. More rain wanted for *amun*. *Kalai* being sown. *Til* growing. Sugarcane doing well. Price of rice steady.
	Sherpur ...	0·32	
	Naukhila ...	0·53	
15	Pubna „ 29, '88	1·24	Weather—hot and cloudy. Prospects of crops good. Jute is being reaped.
	Serajgunge ...	0·41	
16	Darjeeling „ 29, '88	0·96	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of all crops fairly promising.
17	Julpigoree „ 29, '88	1·88	Weather—hot with occasional showers. *Aus* harvest good everywhere. Prospects of *amun* fair in the Sudder sub-division, but not so in the Alipore sub-division, where it looks unhealthy for want of rain. Sowing of winter crops has commenced in places. Common rice sells at 20 seers per rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVN. 18	Dacca Sept. 29, '88	0·43	Weather—hot and fine. *Aman* paddy doing well. Ploughing for *rubbi* crops commenced.
	Manickgunge ...	1·42	
	Munshigunge ...	0·61	
	Naraingunge ...	0·76	
19	Furreedpur „ 29, '88	0·20	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of all crops good.
	Goalundo ...	0·37	
	Madaripur ...	0·43	
20	Backergunge „ 27, '88	0·62	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *amun* good except in the Bhola sub-division, where crops have been damaged by floods and insects and are reported bad. Transplantation of *amun* is still going on in some places.
21	Mymensingh „ 28, '88	1·76	Weather—hot and cloudy. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·46	
	Kishoregunge ...	2·56	
	Attia ...	Nil	
	Netrokona ...	·25	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*				
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**			
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong	Oct. 2, '88	0·14	Weather—seasonable. Transplantation continues. Harvesting of early rice nearly over. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly	„ 28, '88	1·02	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *aus* finished. Transplantation of *amun* nearly completed. Prospects fair.
	Fenny	...	1·86	
24	Tipperah	„ 27, '88	1·54	Weather—seasonable; sometimes rainy, sometimes very hot. The crops are in excellent condition, and there is plenty of moisture everywhere.
	Brahmanbariah	..	1·95	
	Chandpur	...	1·67	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts.	„ 25, '88	2·17	Weather—fair on 19th, 20th, 23rd and 24th; slight rain on 21st and 22nd; copious rain on 25th. Harvesting of *jum* paddy still continues. Transplanting of late rice on low lands now over. Prospects of paddy crop not good.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah	„ 26, '88	1·35	Weather—hot. Prospects of *amun* and *jum* crops fair.
Patna Divs. 26	Patna	„ 29, '88	0·50	Weather—fair and hot. Transplantation of paddy completed; more rain wanted.
	Barh	...	0·70	*Bhadoi* being harvested, with poor outturn. Prices of food-grains still high.
27	Gya	„ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Prospects of crops continue good, but rain is now wanted to revive the moisture in the paddy fields. Harvesting of *bhadoi* nearly finished.
28	Shahabad	„ 29, '88	0·11	Weather—bright and clear. Harvesting of *bhadoi* almost over. Prospects of paddy continue hopeful. In places lands are being prepared for *rubbi* sowings. Prices show a tendency to rise.
	Buxar	...	Nil	
	Sasseram	...	0·40	
	Bhabuah	...	0 30	
29	Durbhunga	„ 29, '88	0·10	Weather—changeable. *Bhadoi* crops are still being harvested. Rain is much wanted for rice crop, especially in the northern half of district. Price of common rice averages 15 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur	„ 29, '88	0·47	Weather—hot and clear, occasionally cloudy; heavy dews at night. Harvesting of *bhadoi* crops continues, but rain urgently wanted for paddy in Sitamarhi sub-division, where prices of food-grains are rising.
	Hajipur	...	0·54	
	Sitamarhi	...	0·25	
31	Sarun	„ 29, '88	0·48	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *bhadoi* almost completed; outturn good. Prospects of paddy continue favourable.
	Sewan	...	0·23	
32	Chumparun	„ 29, '88	0·76	Weather—fair and very hot. Rain much wanted for paddy in some parts; in others, prospects on the whole good. Reaping of *bhadoi* in progress; outturn very fair. Indigo manufacture completed. Prices rising.
	Bettiah	...	0·40	
Bhagulpore Divs. 33	Monghyr	„ 29, '88	0·16	Weather—bright and hot. Winter rice thriving well, but wants rain in places. *Bhadoi* harvest nearly completed.
	Begusserai	...	0·44	
	Jamui	...	0·11	
34	Bhagulpur	„ 29, '88	0·21	Weather—warm for the season. State and prospects of crops good, but rain is generally wanted.
	Banka	...	Nil	
	Mudehpura	...	0·22	
	Soopole	...	Nil	
35	Purneah	„ 29, '88	0·09	Weather—bright and warm. Crops doing well; more rain desirable.
	Kishengunge	...	0·74	
	Arrareah	...	3·22	
36	Maldah	„ 29, '88	0·35	Weather—cloudy and warm; a few showers during the week. Rain wanted for winter rice. *Kalai* crop in English Bazar thana injured by insects.
	Chanchal	...	0·34	
	Shibgunge	...	1·46	
	Gajol	...	0·45	
37	Sonthal Perghs.	„ 29, '88	0·25	Weather—warm with occasional slight showers. Prospects of rice crop continue good. There is some pinching on account of failure of *janera*, which was about half an average crop.
	Deoghur	...	0 08	
	Godda	...	Nil	
	Jamtara	...	1·00	
	Pakour	...	0·08	
	Rajmehal	...	·55	
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divs. 38	Cuttack	„ 28, '88	0·80	Weather—hot and clear *Beali* rice being reaped and gathered; *sarad* growing well. Common rice 17 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree	„ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Weeding and transplanting of winter rice (*sarad*) still going on. *Beali* (early rice) being harvested. Common rice 19 seers 11 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 16 seers 10 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	Khoordah	...	0·32	
40	Balasore	„ 28, '88	4·51	Weather—very hot; rainfall apparently local. Enquiries show great destruction of crop in Chandbally, Basudebpur and Baliapal thanas. Elsewhere rice has benefited by heavy rainfall. Price of rice rising, especially at Chandbally.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
	South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divs. 41	Hazaribagh	Sept. 28, '88	0·40	Weather—bright and clear throughout the week. All crops doing well. Prospects of winter rice very good. Lands being prepared for *rubbi* crops.
42	Lohardugga	„ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cool. No rain during the week; more showers wanted at head-quarters. Prospects continue good. Prices as before.
	Palamow	...	0 71	
43	Singbhoom	„ 28, '88	0·97	Weather—seasonable; rainy season breaking up. Reports of winter rice crop excellent. *Bhadoi* crops being harvested: about 12 annas outturn expected.
44	Manbhoom	„ 29, '88	0·37	Weather—bright and warm. Harvesting of autumn crops almost finished: outturn from 12 to 14 annas. Prospects of rice and sugarcane good.
	Govindpur	...	0·42	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 29th September 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 6th October 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Oct. 6, '88	0·07	Weather—cool and showery. More rain has fallen to-day (6th). Prospects are good, and if there is general rain now, there will be a bumper harvest.
	Culna ...	0·43	
	Cutwa ...	0·08	
	Ranigunge ...	0·11	
2	Bankoora „ 6, '88	1·50	Weather—hot A good shower of rain on 5th. *Aus* harvest approaching completion; probable yield about 12 annas. *Amun* doing well, but more rain needed. Damage done by floods of August, nothing very much.
3	Birbhum „ 6, '88	0·31	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of rice good, but rain wanted for high lands.
	Rampur Hât ...	0·67	Sugarcane fair.
4	Midnapur „ 6, '88	1·66	Weather—generally fine with light showers on a few days. Winter paddy doing well. *Aus* being reaped in places.
5	Hugli „ 6, '88	3·43	Weather—normal. Prospects good on all but flooded lands.
	Serampur ...	1·21	
	Jehanabad ...	Nil	
	Howrah „ 8, '88	2·32	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair.
	Oolooberiah ...	1·82	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Oct. 9, '88	1·69	Weather—hot and rainy. Prospects of crops good in all sub-divisions except Diamond Harbour.
7	Nuddea „ 6, '88	4·54	Weather—sultry. *Aus* harvest nearly finished with poor outturn. *Amun* prospects generally poor but doing well in Ranaghat. Ploughing and sowing for winter crops going on.
	Kooshtea ...	0·47	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	
	Chooadanga ...	0·35	
	Ranaghat ...	0·10	
8	Khoolna „ 6, '88	1·18	Weather—hot in the early part of the week; latterly showery. State and prospects of crops generally good.
9	Jessore „ 6, '88	0·72	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Amun* paddy doing well. Lands are being prepared for the sowings of the cold weather crops. Jute manufacture over.
	Jhenidah ...	0·17	
	Magoora ...	0·31	
	Narail ...	1·01	
	Bongong ...	Nil	
10	Moorshedabad „ 6, '88	0·55	Weather—bright and sultry with fine cool mornings. A heavy shower this morning (6th); alternate sun and rain during the day. *Amun dhan* doing well. *Kalai* is still being sown, and in some places the plants are out and looking well. Rain is much wanted in the Kandi sub-division. River falling gradually.
	Lalbagh ...	1·15	
	Kandi ...	Nil	
	Jangipur ...	1·60	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—clouding up at end of the week. Prospects of *haimanti* depends much upon the fall of rain within the next week.
12	Rajshahye „ 6, '88	1·66	Weather—hot but occasionally rainy. Prospects of crops good. Cutting and steeping of jute almost over.
	Nattore ...	1·40	
	Nowgong ..	Nil	
13	Rungpur „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—fine. The *amun* crop is stunted and backward, and the outturn will be below the average. The jute crop appears to be good.
	Gaibandha ...	0·35	
	Kurigram ...	Nil	
	Nilphamari ...	0·65	
14	Bogra „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close for this season of the year. Jute-steeping still going on. Rain wanted for *amun* which is withering in some places. Other crops doing well.
15	Pubna „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and fine. Prospects of crops good. Winter crops are being sown.
	Serajgunge ...	Nil	
16	Darjeeling „ 6, '88	0·04	Weather—fine and rather warm. Hill crops are progressing favourably. More rain is said to be wanted in the plains, particularly for high land rice.
17	Julpigoree „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cloudy. More rain wanted for *amun*, especially in the Alipore sub-division, where the plants are said to be withering. Lands are being prepared for tobacco and mustard. Sugarcane doing well.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Oct. 6, '88	0·41	Weather—very hot and fine. *Aus* paddy and jute nearly cut; outturn good. *Amun* paddy doing well. Prospects of crops good.
	Manickgunge ...	1·02	
	Munshigunge ...	1·28	
	Naraingunge ...	1·36	
19	Furreedpur „ 6, '88	0·70	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Goalundo ...	0·37	
	Madaripur ...	0·45	
20	Backergunge „ 4, '88	1·36	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops continue good except at Bhola, where the recent rain has somewhat benefited the *amun* and other crops. Transplantation of *amun* still going on in some places.
21	Mymensingh „ 5, '88	0·63	Weather—hot and bright. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	0·69	
	Kishoregunge ...	1·94	
	Attia ...	1·00	
	Netrokona ...	1·66	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Oct. 9, '88	5·62	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *aus* continues. *Amun* is being transplanted. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly		Report not received.
24	Tipperah „ 4, '88	0·42	Weather—very hot with occasional heavy showers of rain. Prospects are as bright and promising as before.
	Brahmahbariah	1·56	
	Chandpur	Nil	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 3, '88	0·21	Weather—dry throughout the week, except on the 28th September, when slight rain fell. Harvesting of *jum* paddy nearly over. Prospects of plough paddy not good.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah „ 3, '88	0·15	Weather—hot. *Amun* paddy doing well. Prospects of *til* and cotton fair.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and clear; mornings getting cool. Preparation being made for *rubbi* sowings. Rain wanted for paddy crop. If there be no rain shortly, the prospects of the present and the future crops will be poor. Prices of food-grains at head-quarters stationary.
27	Gya „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Harvesting of *bhadoi* finished; a poor crop. Paddy suffering seriously for want of rain. It is withering in uplands. Ploughing of *rubbi* fields being retarded for want of moisture. Little water stored in the churs owing to destruction caused by floods and heavy rain at end of August. If no rain falls within 10 days, prospects will be serious.
28	Shahabad „ 6, '88	0·28	Weather—clear and bright almost the whole week. *Bhadoi* harvest almost over. Prospects of paddy and sugarcane continue favourable, but rain within a week is indispensable. Fields are being prepared for *rubbi* sowings.
	Buxar	0·40	
29	Durbhunga „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings and nights cool, but days hot. *Bhadoi* harvest nearly completed. Rain urgently wanted for rice, especially in north of the district. Price of common rice averages 14 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and clear. Threshing of *bhadoi* crops begun. Rain urgently wanted for *rubbi* sowings, and for winter rice which is suffering, especially in the Sitamurhi sub-division. Prices rising.
31	Sarun „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and hot. Rain much wanted for paddy and for sowing of *rubbi*. Harvesting of *bhadoi* almost over; outturn good.
32	Chumparun „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—bright; getting cool, in the morning it is specially so. Reaping of *bhadoi* completed with good outturn. Indigo manufacture closed. Rain urgently required for paddy in some places; in others prospects are good. If favourable rain comes within the next week or ten days, the outturn of the *aghani* crop will be good.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and hot. Rain much wanted for winter rice. Lands are being prepared for *rubbi* crops in the Begusserai sub-division.
	Begusserai	0·40	
	Jamui	0·14	
34	Bhagulpur „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—still warm for the season. Rain much wanted on all but low lands. Rice on some high lands already much damaged.
	Banka	1·25	
35	Purneah „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cloudless. The *aghani* crop is likely to suffer if there is not more rain soon.
36	Maldah „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—very hot and oppressive. Rain much wanted for winter rice. *Kalai* promises well.
	Chanchal	0·06	
3	Sonthal Pergha. „ 6, '88	0·27	Weather—close, but cool mornings and evenings. Some rain fell during the week. *Rubbi* sowings begun. Prospects of *dhan* all depend on rain. It is needed. Some has fallen, and the weather is cloudy.
	Deoghur	0·03	
	Gódda	2·70	
	Jamtara	0·35	
	Pakour	0·52	
	Rajmehal	Nil	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 5, '88	1·35	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Beali* rice being reaped and gathered. *Sarad* growing well. Common rice 17 seers 1 chittack per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 4, '88	0·83	Weather—hot and rainy towards the end of the week. Transplanting and weeding of *sarad* rice going on. *Beali* and *mandia* are being harvested. Common rice 19 seers 11 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 16 seers 2 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoorda	0·04	
40	Balasore „ 5, '88	1·13	Weather settled early in week, more unsettled now. Harvesting of *aus* rice nearly over; outturn fair. Prospects of late rice promising except in the flooded tracts.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh Oct. 5, '88	0·36	Weather—bright and clear. *Bhadoi* being harvested; outturn generally below the average owing to heavy and incessant rain. Prospects of sugarcane and winter rice very good, but heavy showers now wanted. Oil-seeds and pulses being sown. Lands being prepared for *rubbi* crops.
42	Lohardugga „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and cloudy. No rain during the week. Paddy is suffering for want of moisture. No change in prices.
43	Singbhoom „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and threatening rain. Rain is much wanted for the crops which are up to date very fine everywhere. A few cases of cattle disease reported from Dhalbhoom perguunah.
44	Manbhoom „ 6, '88	0·05	Weather—cloudy. Rain is wanted throughout the Sudder sub-division for the upland paddy. Prospects of low land paddy are good.
	Govindpur	0·25	

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Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 13th October 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Oct. 13, '88	0·52	Weather—fair and cool. Prospects of winter rice good; but rain is urgently wanted in Cutwa and Ranegunge sub-divisions. Common rice selling at 18 seers per rupee.
	Culna ...	0·26	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Ranegunge ...	Nil	
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright, beginning to get cool. Rain needed for *amun* rice. Sugarcane doing well. Prices almost stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum „ 13, '88	0·79	Weather—fine and hot. Rain wanted.
	Rampur Hât ...	0·80	
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—hot in day time, cool at night. Crops generally doing well, but rain is wanted in north and west. *Aus* beginning to come into the market. Prices have slightly risen in Ghâtal owing to Calcutta demand.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli „ 13, '88	0·08	Weather—normal. More rain is urgently wanted in Jehanabad for the rice on high lands, and would do good in the rest of the district. Otherwise prospects are good.
	Serampur ...	1·48	
	Jehanabad ...	0·06	
	Howrah „ 15, '88	0·05	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops fair.
	Oolooberiah ...	Nil	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Oct. 16, '88	0·83	Weather—seasonable and somewhat hot. Prospects of crops good in all sub-divisions except Diamond Harbour and Dum-Dum.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 13, '88	0·39	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *amun* crop poor in Kooshtea, but good in Ranaghat. In Sudder, late rice seriously damaged by flood. Ploughing and sowing of winter crops going on.
	Kooshtea ...	0·32	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	
	Chooadanga ...	1·52	
	Ranaghat ...	1·26	
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 13, '88	0·92	Weather—clear; hot in the day and cool in the night. Prospects of crops generally good.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 13, '88	0·36	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of *amun* good.
	Jhenidah ...	0·37	
	Magoora ...	2·46	
	Narail ...	0·44	
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 13, '88	0·63	Weather - bright and clear with heavy night dews. Nights cool. *Amun* doing well. *Kalai* plants look healthy. Rain much wanted in Kandi sub-division.
	Lalbagh ...	1·94	
	Kandi ...	0·50	
	Jangipur ...	3·24	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—hot, with bright sunshine. Prospects of standing crops fair, but rain urgently wanted.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot and nights fairly cool. Prospects of standing crops good. Rain wanted. Transplantation of ganja seedlings over.
	Nattore ...	0·40	
	Nowgong ..	0·15	
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 13, '88	0·04	Weather—clear, but cloudy and unsettled since 12th. Rain much wanted for *haimanti* rice. Cold weather crops are being sown. Tobacco is in the nursery.
	Kurigram ...	Nil	
	Nilphamari ...	Nil	
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 13, '88	0·27	Weather—cool mornings, with occasional slight fog. Clouds gathering latterly. Rain is much wanted for the transplanted *amun*. Jute steeping is over. Sugarcane coming out for local consumption.
	Sherpur ...	0·80	
	Nowkhilla ...	0·51	
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 13, '88	0·37	Weather—fair. Prospects of crops good. *Moog*, *mashkalai*, and *til* are being sown.
	Serajgunge ...	1·57	
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 13, '88	0·05	Weather—damp and misty in hills; very hot in plains. Hill crops doing well. Rain still wanted in plains for winter rice.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Owing to want of rain, prospects of *haimanti* paddy are not good. Lands are being prepared for tobacco. Common rice sells at 18 seers per rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Oct. 13, '88	1·18	Weather—hot and bright. *Asvini* paddy nearly reaped. Sowing of winter crops commenced. Prospects of *amun* good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·67	
	Munshigunge ...	0·50	
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur „ 13, '88	0·11	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops good, but rain somewhat wanted in some parts.
	Goalundo ...	Nil	
	Madaripur ...	0·78	
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge „ 13, '88	7·53	There was heavy rain on the 6th and 7th, accompanied with very high tides in the sub divisions of Bhola and Patuakhali. Prospects of *amun* good except at Bhola, where the recent inundation has damaged the *amun* plants.
Dacca Divn. 21	Mymensingh „ 12, '88	4·26	Heavy rain on the 6th. Weather hot and bright. Prospects of crops good.
	Jamalpur ...	1·73	
	Kishoregunge ...	3·19	
	Attia ...	3·7	
	Netrokona ...	2·54	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong Oct. 16, '88	0·01	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *amun* paddy good. Paddy seedlings destroyed by flood in some places. High tidal waves on 5th to 7th instant did some damage along the coast. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 12, '88	15·17	Weather—seasonable. Heavy rain on the 6th. *Aus* crop harvested. Prospects of *amun* generally good, but some damage reported in chur lands from the heavy rain of 6th.
	Feni ...	8·04	
24	Tipperah „ 11, '88	5·98	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops excellent. Harvesting of jute nearly completed.
	Chandpur ...	3·78	
	Brahmanbariah	3·49	
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 10, '88	5·02	Weather—very hot and close with heavy banks of clouds gathering from the south-south-west every evening for the first half of the week followed by stormy weather with strong gale from south-west on 5th, 6th, and 7th. *Jum* paddy a low average crop. Cotton crop very short. Plough-paddy and sugarcane doing fairly well.
BEHAR.			
	Hill Tipperah „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot and nights cool. Prospects of *amun* paddy, *til* and cotton fair.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—nights and mornings cool, days hot. Fields being prepared for *rubbi* sowings. Paddy saved from flood is failing for want of rain. Scarcity seems probable in the Behar sub-division, and elsewhere in a less degree.
27	Gya „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Paddy suffering very seriously for want of rain; some already past recovery. Cultivation for *rubbi* also retarded. Rain imperatively necessary. Prices rising. Common rice selling at 13¾ seers per rupee.
28	Shahabad „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and bright, mornings somewhat cold. *Bhadoi* harvest almost over. Prospects of paddy most critical except on canal irrigated lands. Rain badly wanted both for *aghani* and *rubbi*. Prices falling except in Buxar.
29	Durbhunga „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and hot, but cool in the morning and night. The *bhadoi* crops for the whole district are about ⅛ths of an ordinary crop. The want of rain for the last four weeks has seriously affected the prospects of the rice crop, which cannot now be better than ⅛ths of an ordinary crop. The northern perguunahs have suffered most. Rain is much wanted for the cultivation of the *rubbi* crops. Sugarcane crop is of excellent promise. Rice 13¾ seers per rupee in Durbhunga.
30	Mozufferpur „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—fair, but rather hot in daytime. *Bhadoi* harvest completed. The rice crops are suffering from want of rain, and unless rain falls there will be almost a total loss of the crop in the extreme north, and a poor outturn generally. Prices rising. Traders buying up rice for export.
31	Sarun „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot, nights cool. Rain much wanted for high land paddy. Fields are being prepared for *rubbi* sowings.
32	Chumparun „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—days warm, but nights cool, specially at dead hours. Rain wanted. Prospects of *aghani* still fair.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright. Rain absolutely required for the *dhan* crops and *rubbi* sowings. Unless some rain falls soon there is danger of scarcity, much of the former crop (*bhadoi*) having been lost.
34	Bhagulpur „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—days warm for the season, nights cool. Rain wanted everywhere for paddy, especially in the Supul sub-division, where the crop is said to be beginning to wither in high lands. *Kalai* and *kurthi* doing well, but will no doubt, like other *rubbi* crops, benefit by rain.
35	Purneah „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and warm. Present prospect of *aghani* crop only 8 annas, and if drought continues will be 4 or 5 annas. *Aghani* rice selling at 13 seers and *bhadoi* at 16 seers per rupee.
	Kishengunge ...	0·18	
36	Maldah „ 13, '88	1·80	Weather—fair. *Bhadoi* and *haimanti* paddy doing well. Rain much needed in some parts of the district for the winter crops. Common rice 20 seers per rupee.
	Chanchal ...	1·18	
	Shibgunge ...	0·55	
	Gajol ...	0·24	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—turning moister with east winds and clouds. *Rubbi* sowings begun. Paddy doing well so far, but rain anxiously looked for.
	Pakour ...	0·78	
ORISSA			
Orissa Divs. 38	Cuttack „ 12, '88	0·06	Weather—fair and seasonable. *Beali* rice being gathered. *Sarad* growing well. Common rice sells at 17 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 11, '88	1·29	Weather—hot. Weeding of winter rice (*sarad*) still going on. Rain wanted. Common rice 19 seers 11 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 16 seers 9 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 12, '88	1·13	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *sarad* crop very fair except in flooded tracts. More rain wanted.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divs. 41	Hazaribagh Oct. 12, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear. *Bhadoi* still being harvested; outturn fair in some places and below the average in others. Sugarcane doing well. Condition of winter rice so far good, but some heavy rain wanted urgently for the high lands. Lands being prepared and *rubbi* crops being sown.
42	Lohardugga „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot, mornings and evenings cool. Reaping of early paddy and *goondli* about to be completed. Prospect of winter paddy very unfavourable for want of rain. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom „ 12, '88	0·05	Weather—cold and bright. Rain is wanted in Dhalbhoom, and will be wanted all over the district shortly. Up to the present the crops are in excellent condition.
44	Manbhoom ...	...	Report not received.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 13th October 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 20th October 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Oct. 20, '88	0·12	Weather—fine and cool. Rain is badly wanted throughout the district. Price of rice stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 20, '88	0·22	Weather—days hot, nights cool. No rain anywhere except at Bankoora. It is much needed for *amun* rice. Prices continue stationary.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum „ 20, '88	Nil	Cold weather setting in. The rice crop, which would have been bumper had there been good rain this month, is suffering severely for the want of it.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—dry, becoming daily cooler. The state of the flooded tracts much the same, but rain is necessary elsewhere to ensure good crops.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. More rain wanted, especially in Jehanabad, for maturing winter rice on high lands. If there is no more rain this month the crop will be short. *Rubbi* cultivation going on.
	Howrah „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of crops fair.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Oct. 23, '88	Nil	Weather—clear, cool and bright. Prospects of crops good in all sub-divisions except Diamond Harbour.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 20, '88	0·61	Weather—mornings and nights cool. *Amun* prospects fair in Ranaghat and Chooadangah, generally poor elsewhere. Ploughing and sowing of *rubbi* crops going on.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops generally good; but *amun* rice on high lands wants more rain.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* prospects good in all the sub-divisions except Bongong.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear, nights cool. In the Sudder sub-division the prospects of *amun* are good, elsewhere it is suffering for want of rain. *Kalai* promising. *Rubbi* sowings commenced.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—cold with powerful sun. No rain during the week. *Haimanti* paddy suffering for want of rain. If rain does not fall soon the crop will be destroyed in most places.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. Rain is urgently wanted for *amun* paddy which is withering. Lands are being prepared for winter crops.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur Kurigram „ 20, '88 ...	1	Weather—clear and getting seasonably cold. The rainfall in the Kurigram sub-division has improved much the prospects of the winter rice. Rain much wanted in the Sudder and other sub-divisions. The tobacco plants are being transplanted.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra Sherpur „ 20, '88 ...	Nil 0·40	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* on high lands has commenced to wither for want of rain. Rain fell in the south of the district on the 13th. Crops will suffer severely if drought continues.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cool. *Amun dhan* and sugarcane seem better. Winter crops are still being sown. *Moog, mashkalai*, &c., are growing.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cool in hills; rather warm in plains. Autumn rice is being harvested in hills, and *rubbi* sowings commenced; all crops flourishing. In plains winter rice benefitted by nearly 2 inches of rain, but still below average standard.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 20, '88	1·08	Weather—days rather hot, nights and mornings cool. Rain much wanted for *haimanti* paddy. Sugarcane coming into the market. Jute-steeping still going on in places. No change in the price of rice.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Oct. 20, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot and nights cool. *Asvini* paddy nearly harvested. Prospects of *amun* paddy good. Winter crops being sown.
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. Prospects of crops fair.
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge „ 18, '88	0·52	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.
	Mymensingh „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
23	Noakholly „ 19, '88 Feni ...	1·10 0·19	Weather—seasonable. State of *amun* generally good, but some damage was done in *char* lands by rise of salt water as reported last week. Betelnuts and cocoanuts have generally been good.
24	Tipperah „ 18, '88 Brahmanbariah .	0·53 0·12	Weather—seasonable Standing crops, specially *amun dhan*, thriving vigorously, and prospects promising. Harvesting of jute being still pushed on in Chandpur sub-division, while it has been over in almost all other parts of the district.
25	Chittagong Hill „ 17, '88 Tracts.	Nil	Fine bright weather; mornings and evenings distinctly chilly, and the cold weather fogs are beginning to show themselves. Harvesting of *jum* crops continues.
BEHAR.	Hill Tipperah „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—hot. Tobacco and chillies being transplanted. Reaping of *jum* paddy finished. Cotton and *amun* doing well.
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—nights and mornings cool, days hot and bright. There is a general clamour for rain and water, and a total failure of the rice crop is apprehended Fields are being prepared for *rubbi* cultivation, but with very little hope of a good crop if there be no rain shortly.
27	Gya „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings cool and days hot. Paddy withered and scorched in uplands. Preparation of *rubbi* fields being retarded for want of moisture in the land. No sign of rain. Scarcity apprehended.
28	Shahabad „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and bright; mornings and nights somewhat cold. Paddy suffering for want of rain except on canal-irrigated lands. *Rubbi* sowing continues. Prices falling except in Buxar.
29	Durbhunga „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and hot, but daily decrease in temperature both in the night and in the mornings. With no rain there is a sensible rise in prices all round. The export of rice has ceased. Carts are returning empty from Nepal and North Bhagulpore. *Dhan* on the high lands withering and being cut for fodder and to make way for a cold-weather crop. Irrigation being actively carried on on the low lands. People in perfectly good condition at present, and no application for work being made. Rain sadly required for the *rubbi* cultivation. Average prices of common rice from 12 to 14 seers to the rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 20, '88	Nil	There have been a few clouds almost every day, but at nights weather has been clear and cool. The *bhadoi* harvest is over. The rice crop in the northern part of the district will be a very poor one even if there is rain; while in the extreme north and in high lands it has totally failed, being beyond all hope of recovery. In some places in the southern half of the district there may be a *ten annas* crop. Rain is required for the *rubbi* sowings. Prices rising. Rivers have very little water in them. Prospects gloomy.
31	Sarun „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. West wind prevailing. Mornings and evenings very cool. Rain urgently wanted for upland paddy and *rubbi* sowings. Moisture drying up owing to west wind. Irrigation is being resorted to where practicable. Prices rose rapidly during the past week, but have now declined a little. Anxiety is felt for crops on ground.
32	Chumparun „ 20. '88	Nil	Weather—mornings and nights cool, but days hot. Paddy suffering seriously for want of rain; it is withering in several places. Preparation being made for *rubbi* sowings. If there be no rain shortly, the prospects of the present and the future crops will be very poor.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 20, '88 Jamui ...	Nil 0·22	Weather—bright and seasonable. Rain absolutely required both for the *dhan* crops and *rubbi* sowings. Prices of food-grains increasing.
34	Bhagulpur „ 20, '88 Banka ...	Nil 1·13	Weather—days warmer for the season; nights cool. Except in those parts of the Sudder and Banka sub-divisions where it rained lately, the prospects of paddy are not good. *Kalai* and *koorthee* are doing well. Rain much wanted. In some places irrigation is being resorted to.
35	Purneah „ 20, '88	Nil	Regular cold season has apparently set in. Not a sign of the more rain that is so much wanted. Prospects of crops are decidedly bad, and may be expected to be worse if, as it seems, the rains are entirely over.
36	Maldah „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and clear. Standing crops generally fair, but withering in some parts for want of rain. Common rice selling at an average of 19½ seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs „ 20, '88 Godda ...	Nil 0·03	Weather—cold at night and hot in the day. Northerly winds. Prospects of low *dhan* good; higher *dhan* suffers from drought. Rain much wanted.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—sunny and hot *Beali* reaped. *Sarad* crop on high lands urgently require water, and is likely to suffer if rain does not fall in a day or two. There has been a general cry for water, and rain is very urgently wanted. Price of rice rising.
39	Pooree „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and dry. Rain very urgently required for *sarad* crops, there being no water in the paddy fields. Second weeding of *sarad* still going on. *Beali* and *mandia* being harvested. *Laghu* rice in ear. Common rice 19 seers 3 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 16 seers 7 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and getting colder. Rain urgently needed in every part of the district.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
Chota Nagpore Divn.	***South-West Frontier Agency.***	Nil	Weather—bright and clear. Rice on high lands beginning to suffer. Prospects bad. Rain urgently wanted.
41	Hazaribagh Oct. 19, '88		
42	Lohardugga „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cool. Rain urgently wanted. Standing crops are suffering badly. Ploughing of *rubbi* land is retarded for want of rain. Prices as before.
43	Singbhoom „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cool. Mornings and evenings quite chilly. Rain is urgently wanted. The winter rice crop is beginning to suffer seriously, and the price of rice is going up.
44	Manbhoom „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain much wanted for the high land paddy, which is withering. Other crops are doing well.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 27th October 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Oct. 27, '88	Nil	Early cold weather. The *aus* harvest was 11 or 12 annas of an average crop. The *amun* will be only 8 annas of an average crop unless good rain falls by 5th November. Price of common rice rising fast in Raneegunge and Cutwa, where it is now 16 seers per rupee on average.
2	Bankoora „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close. Rain urgently required to save much of the winter rice crop, and for cultivation of *rubbi* crops (latter, however, unimportant here). However irrigation going on, and even with no rain, rice crop expected to be 10 annas in the Sudder and 8 annas in the Bishenpore sub-division, and sufficient for local consumption. Exportation up-country has been vigorous during the week, causing a sharp rise in prices. This has ceased since yesterday (25th) and prices have again fallen; coarse rice now selling at 17 seers per rupee. Sugarcane doing well.
3	Birbhum „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cloudy. Rice is suffering severely from want of rain.
4	Midnapur „ 27, '88	Nil	The weather continues clear and cold. The prospect of the *amun* crop is daily getting worse, but heavy export is going on and prices rising fast, except in two or three thanas, where the early crop has come into the market.
5	Hugli „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and dry. Winter rice on high lands and retransplanted rice on flooded lands urgently in need of rain to mature it. Irrigation is being resorted to wherever possible.
	Howrah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain wanted.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergns. Oct. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—generally hot, but cool in the morning. Prospects of crops continue good everywhere except in the flooded parts of the Diamond Harbour sub-division. Rain is, however, wanted for the crops on the higher lands.
7	Nuddea „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—days warm; mornings and nights cool. Prospects of *amun* rice poor in Kushtea and Sudder; fair in other sub-divisions. Ploughing and sowing for *rubbi* crops continue.
8	Khoolna „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* on high lands wants rain. Otherwise prospects are fair.
9	Jessore „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain is wanted for *amun* paddy which is in ear. Sowings of winter crops going on.
10	Moorshedabad „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; nights cool; days hot. *Amun* suffering for want of rain. *Kalai* promising. *Rubbi* sowings commenced.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 27, '88	Nil	The last few days have been cloudy, but for the week the weather has been still and clear. Rain is badly wanted. The winter rice is withering, and much anxiety is felt. Price of common rice has risen. The mahajans are still exporting rice, but the cultivators are withholding their stocks.
12	Rajshahye „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—very cool at night; hot sun in day time. Rice sells at an average of 17½ seers for the district, 14½ seers in the town of Beauleah. Crops not bad in Nattore; elsewhere rain most urgently required. *Amun* has suffered in many places.
13	Rungpur „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and still with hot days and cool nights. Rain much wanted. *Amun* crop prospects bad. Tobacco being planted and other cold-weather crops being sown.
14	Bogra „ 27, '88	Nil	Calm and cool clear weather. *Amun* is in ear in some places, but the crops of the high lands are being dried up for continued drought. Sugarcane and *mashkalai* are growing. Mustard is being sown. *Til* blossoming. Rain much wanted.
15	Pubna „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. Prospects of *amun* paddy good. Winter crops are being sown.
16	Darjeeling „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—fine, but cloudy. Prospects of crops fair, but rain is badly wanted both in hills and plains.
17	Julpigoree „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—mornings and nights cool; days warm. Prospects of *haimanti* paddy are bad, especially in the Alipore tehsil. Transplantation of tobacco has commenced. Price of rice has risen. Common rice selling at the Sudder station at 16 seers per rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Oct. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Ploughing and sowing of pulses and mustard going on in some parts of the district. Tobacco is being transplanted. *Amun* crops coming into ear. Prospects good.
19	Furreedpur „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects continue fair. Land is being prepared for cold-weather crops, but rain is wanted.
20	Backergunge „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good, except in parts of Bhola, where the rice seedlings have been damaged by floods.
21	Mymensingh „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly Oct. 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State of *amun* generally good. Soil is being prepared for winter crops.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 25, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, and getting very cool. The winter rice is coming on spendidly everywhere.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable, witlf foggy mornings; it has been distinctly warmer again the past two or three days. Gathering of *jum* paddy nearly over. Cotton plants are in pods here and there. Late rice crops in low lands progressing.
	Hill Tipperah „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. *Amun* paddy and cotton doing well. Chilly and tobacco continue to be transplanted.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and hot. Rain urgently wanted for paddy and *rubbi* sowings. From Behar it is reported that prices are rising fast, and without rain to allow of the ground being prepared for spring crops scarcity is very probable. Fodder is also scarce. Prices are high in other sub-divisions.
Patna Divn. 27	Gya „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy for the past three days. Paddy is dying for want of rain. If it does not rain within four or five days, only four annas paddy crop can be expected. Sowing of *rubbi* crop also being much delayed.
Patna Divn. 28	Shahabad „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cloudy. Paddy crop withering for want of rain, except on canal-irrigated lands. *Rubbi* sowing continues where well water is accessible; but if no rain falls, such fields as are beyond the reach of well water will be left fallow. Fever prevalent to such an extent as to affect agricultural operations injuriously. Prices rising Scarcity anticipated in parts.
Patna Divn. 29	Durbhanga „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—clouds have collected during the last few days, but they clear away in the evening, leaving the nights starry and bright. There is prospect of light rain. There is now no doubt that all the unirrigable high land rice in the Madhubani and Durbhanga sub-divisions will fail. It is withering and being cut for fodder or to make way for a *rubbi* crop if rain should fall. The poorer classes are at present finding labour in irrigating lands where the crop still survives. In a month or so this source of labour will be exhausted. Prices are now high throughout the district.
Patna Divn. 30	Mozufferpur „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot; mornings and evenings cool; cloudy during last three days. *Rubbi* sowings progressing. Rain most urgently wanted for winter rice all over, and for *rubbi* sowings in parts of the district. Paddy plants being cut for fodder for cattle in the north of the Sitamarhi sub-division. Prices rising.
Patna Divn. 31	Sarun „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—hot, close and sultry; clouding over; nights cool. Rain very urgently required for paddy *Rubbi* is being sown, but with very little hope of a good crop if there be no rain shortly, because the whole area will not be sown. Prices of food-grains rising.
Patna Divn. 32	Chumparun „ 27. '88	Nil	Weather—fair, but occasionally cloudy. Prospects of paddy crop bad. Irrigation being carried on wherever possible. *Rubbi* sowings germinating badly in places for lack of moisture. Rain badly wanted. Prices of food-grains rising.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—days rather hot; nights somewhat cold. There have been some clouds for the latter part of the week, but no rain, which is very urgently needed throughout the district for the present and the future crops. Paddy scorched in high lands, and *rubbi* sowings retarded for want of rain. Prices rising.
Bhagulpore Divn. 34	Bhagulpur „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—too warm for the season and cloudy latterly. Much of the high land rice, especially in Supool, has been now irretrievably lost, and that on lower lands is suffering. *Rubbi* sowings retarded for want of moisture. Prices rising and prospects gloomy. Clouds, however, are gathering again.
Bhagulpore Divn. 35	Purneah „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy, but no rain; warmer. In the absence of more rain, the *aghani* crop will not exceed 8 annas certain.
Bhagulpore Divn. 36	Maldah „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cool. Rain is urgently wanted for winter rice crops. Prospects not favourable. Price of common rice has risen to 12 seers since last week.
Bhagulpore Divn. 37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and warm with easterly wind. No rain. *Bhadoi* harvest over; outturn defective, about 8 annas. Prospects of rice becoming rapidly worse for want of rain. If none comes, crop will not much exceed 8 annas, and perhaps be less. Prices of rice (11 and 12 seers per rupee) rising.
ORISSA			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and clear. Early *sarad* in ear. The paddy crops on high lands are withering. Those on low lands also likely to suffer, provided there be no rain shortly. Price of rice rising. Fields are being irrigated by water from canals and tanks.
Orissa Divn. 39	Pooree „ 25, '88	None registered, but a few slight showers yesterday and to-day in parts of the district, and the sky is overcast with clouds.	Weather—hot and dry. The prospects of the winter (*sarad*) crop are very critical for want of rain. If rain does not fall within a week or so the *sarad* crop will fail. *Laghu sarad* has been damaged by drought. Wherever it is possible, lands are being irrigated from all available tanks, rivers, ponds, &c. Common rice 16 seers 1 chittack per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 16 seers 10 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoorda ...	Nil	
Orissa Divn. 40	Balasore „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and clear. *Beali* rice and *birhi* being harvested. *Sarad* rice in ear; suffering much from want of rain. Irrigation going on so far as possible. If no rain falls shortly, the outturn will be most seriously affected. Prices rising.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh Oct. 26, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; rainless. Paddy crops on the high lands suffering for want of rain. Prospects of winter rice now very indifferent. Rain urgently wanted for paddy and *rubbi* crops. Prices rising.
Chota Nagpore Divn. 42	Lohardugga „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—warm and cloudy. Clouds hovering, but no rain. Anxiety experienced regarding winter paddy. *Rubbi* sowing is at a standstill for want of rain. Prices rising.
Chota Nagpore Divn. 43	Singbhoom „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—somewhat cloudy and warmer than in the previous week. No change in the prospect of the winter *dhan*, about quarter of which has been lost owing to the continued drought. There was a fall in the price of common rice at last market owing to the appearance of the new *gora dhan*.
Chota Nagpore Divn. 44	Manbhoom „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and close. All crops more or less damaged for want of rain. The paddy crop is estimated at from 6 to 10 annas throughout the greater part of the district.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 27th October 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 3rd November 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Nov. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—warmer than last week. The clouds that raised hope of rain at the beginning of the week have passed away. Price of common rice in Culna and Raneegunge has risen to 14 seers per rupee; elsewhere it is still about 16 seers.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Amun* suffering for want of moisture; so is sugar-cane. Fields are being prepared for the sowing of *rubbi* crops. Irrigation is, however, going on. New course rice now selling at 17½ seers per rupee.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—hot for the season. There has been no rain and the prospects of the *amun* crop are very poor.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and close, but no rain. Crops on high lands suffering severely from drought. The canal-irrigated crop is doing well, but many leases could not be renewed on account of the supply failing. In Tumlook the crop, where not destroyed, promises to be from 8 annas to 12 annas.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and hot. The continued absence of rain during the week has seriously affected the prospect of the winter rice crop, which is now certain to be a short one, especially in Jehanabad. If rain falls during next week it may still do good.
	Howrah „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and not so cool as it should be; but rain holds off. Rain urgently wanted, or the paddy crop will be almost wholly lost.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Nov. 6, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy every day, but no rain. Rain is much wanted for the rice crops on the higher lands; already much injury has been done.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and dry; rain everywhere wanted. Prospects of *amun* not so good in Ranaghat for want of rain, poor in Sudder and Kushtea, and fair in Meherpore and Chuadanga. Cultivation of cold-weather crops goes on. Price of common rice much risen in Sudder and Kushtea. In Sudder it sells at Rs. 3-2 per maund. In Meherpore, Chuadanga and Ranaghat the cheapest rice is selling from Rs. 2 to Rs. 2-4 per maund.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain is wanted for all crops now standing.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain badly wanted for *amun* and *rubbi* crops.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—slightly cloudy at times. *Amun* greatly suffering for want of rain. *Rubbi* sowings commenced, but require moisture.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and clear. The average outturn of the winter rice for the whole district is not expected to exceed 8 annas, will probably be less, but rain in the course of the next week will make a difference. In some places the crop has failed entirely.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cold at nights. Rain urgently wanted Rice sells at an average of 15 seers per rupee.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. There is no improvement in the prospects of the *amun* crop, and it is certain that the outturn will fall considerably below the average.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy throughout early part of week. Rain badly wanted. *Amun* suffering Sugarcane excellent. Jute good.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cool at night. Rain much needed for the benefit of the *amun* paddy on low land. Prospect of other crops appears good.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—fair Rain much wanted for the winter crops. Price of rice going up.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 4, '88	0·17	Weather—seasonable *Haimanti* paddy suffering for want of rain. Transplantation of tobacco going on Mustard is being sown. Sugarcane good. Common rice sells at the Sudder station at 16 seers per rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Nov. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. Ploughing for winter crops going on. Pulses and mustard are being sown in some parts of the district. *Amun* paddy has commenced to ripen. Prospects good.
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable Prospects of crops continue to be fair, but want of rain is beginning to be somewhat seriously felt.
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—very warm for the time of year. Prospects of crops fair. Rain is much wanted.
Dacca Divn. 21	Mymensingh „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops good.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*				
		Eastern Districts—concld.		
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
	23	Noakholly Nov. 2, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cloudy last two days. *Amun* generally doing well. Land is being prepared for *rubbi* crops. Rain will improve prospects.
	24	Tipperah „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. The rice crop is very good, but would be all the better in places for a little rain. A beginning is being made with cold-weather cultivation.
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. Oct. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—foggy in the morning and hot at noon. Cotton ripening in pod. Paddy in low lands flowering, but rain much wanted. Prospect of paddy not good.
		Hill Tipperah „ 31, '88	Nil	Weather—unsettled; sky rather cloudy. Prospects of paddy fair. Cotton and *til* being gathered.
BEHAR.				
Patna Divn.	26	Patna Nov. 3, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. Paddy crop withering for want of rain except on canal-irrigated land. *Rubbi* sowings retarded. Prices of all food-grains risen 3 to 4 seers per rupee during the last fortnight.
	27	Gya „ 3, '88	0·40	Weather—cooler. It has rained only in a small area and in scattered places. Paddy is tolerably good in low lands, but has withered in uplands. Rain badly wanted even for *rubbi* sowing.
	28	Shahabad „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; mornings and evenings cool. Paddy crop is a failure except in places where canal water is available. *Rubbi* sowings still continue, but much retarded owing to absence of moisture. Rain urgently wanted. Prospects are generally gloomy. Prices rising.
	29	Durbhanga „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and getting cool. The unirrigable high land rice will fail this year. It is withering and being cut for fodder. *Rubbi* sowings slightly going on, but no moisture in soil. Prices rising daily.
	30	Mozufferpur „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cool in the mornings and evenings, hot during the day; occasionally cloudy. *Rubbi* sowings progressing. Rain urgently wanted for *rubbi* as well as for paddy. Prices of food-grains rising.
	31	Sarun „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—clouding over, but no rain; rather warm again. *Rubbi* sowing continues. Sowing of poppy is in full progress. Paddy is suffering for want of rain; the outturn, however, will not be less than 8 annas.
	32	Chumparun „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair. Rice greatly damaged for want of rain. Prospects decidedly bad. *Rubbi* sowings germinating fairly in the Bettiah sub-division. Prices fluctuating. Rain indispensably necessary.
Bhagulpore Divn.	33	Monghyr „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot; nights cool; occasionally cloudy, but no rain. Prospects
		Jamui ...	0·72	of both winter rice and *rubbi* crops have much improved in the greater portion of the Jamui sub-division where there was rain during the week, elsewhere prospects very critical for want of rain. Prices of food-grains steady.
	34	Bhagulpur „ 3, '88	0·06	The clouds have cleared off. In a few villages in the west the rain of 29th was rather heavier than at the Sudder and did good. The high land rice is now beyond improvement. In the north sub-division the late rice can scarcely yield more than a 4 or 5-anna outturn all round: in the other three sub-divisions there is still a hope of 7 or 8 annas. *Rubbi* sowings still retarded, and grubs have done some harm to sowings already made in places.
	35	Purneah „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—a little warmer than seasonable. Standing crops on high lands gone completely; on low lands the present prospects range from 6 to 8 annas. Common rice 10 to 15 seers per rupee.
	36	Maldah „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—getting colder. The winter rice crop on high lands is withering for want of rain. Spring crops being sown. Price of rice a little better than last week.
	37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 3, '88	1·24	Weather—still cloudy, but growing colder. Rain fell throughout Deoghur sub-
		Deoghur ...	1·31	division and in most parts of Doomka sub-division. Winter rice reported
		Jamtara ...	Nil	safe, though a moderate crop everywhere except in Rajmehal. In Doomka
		Pakur ...	0·05	and Deoghur it will be good. *Rubbi* sowing will now begin.
		Rajmahal ...	Nil	
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy occasionally. *Sarad* rice-plants, except on the canal banks, are greatly suffering for want of rain. People are busily engaged in irrigating their fields. Price of rice rapidly rising. The state of things at Banki and Kanika is worse, but various works of relief have been opened.
	39	Pooree „ 1, '88	1·43	Weather—cloudy with occasional drizzling towards the end of week. The *sarad*
		Khoorda ...	Nil	crop is dying in most parts of the district for want of rain. Sufficient rain is urgently wanted. The state of the late *laghu* is critical. Common rice is selling at 15 seers 8 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 13 seers 4 chittacks in the Khoordah sub-division.
	40	Balasore „ 2, '88	0·03	Weather—cloudy. Much of the *sarad* rice in low lands was destroyed by floods in August and September, that on the high lands is now fast withering for want of water. If no rain falls within a week there will be scarcity. Prices rising rapidly everywhere, and are now from 30 to 50 per cent. higher than at corresponding period of last year.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.				
	South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Div.	41	Hazaribagh Nov. 2, '88	0·80	Weather—cloudy. Prospects improved by rain of the 28th and 29th ultimo. *Rubbi* sowings in full swing. More rain wanted in parts. Prices unchanged. Cattle-disease in thannas Burhi, Giridi, and Khurrukdiha.
	42	Lohardugga „ 3, '88	0·42	Weather—cloudy. Slight rain during the week, more urgently wanted. Prospects of crops not favourable. Prices rising. *Rubbi* sowing retarded for want of rain.
	43	Singbhoom „ 2, '88	Nil	Weather—still cloudy, but no rain. No change in the prospects. It is doubtful whether rain would do any good now. 4 annas of the winter rice may be looked upon as lost. No further damage anticipated. Cattle-disease reported from different parts of the district.
	44	Manbhoom „ ...	.....	Report not received.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 10th November 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan Nov. 10, '88	0·50	Weather—a sharp shower and cold wind yesterday (9th), otherwise rather warm for the season of the year. The rain is too late to do much good, and only an 8-anna crop can be expected. The price of rice is slightly lower than the price to which it rose two or three weeks ago.
	Culna ...	Nil	
	Cutwa ...	Nil	
	Raneegunge ...	0·07	
2	Bankoora „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—hot and cloudy. *Haimanti* rice expected to be 10 annas in the Sudder and 8 annas in the Bishenpore sub-division. Prospects of *rubbi* getting worse. Price of coarse rice in the Bankoora market 18¾ seers per rupee.
3	Birbhum „ 10, '88	0·46	Weather—still warm for the season. Benefit has generally resulted from the rainfall of the 9th. In the Rampur Hât sub-division the estimate of the *amun* crop is 10 annas.
4	Midnapur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy, but no rain. The crops would be little improved if rain were now to fall. The loss in the west of the district will probably be from 2 to 6 annas. Price at head-quarters 16 seers the rupee for coarse rice.
5	Hugli „ 10, '88	0·27	Weather—hot for the season; cloudy throughout the week; rain fell only yesterday (9th). Paddy has suffered much from drought, especially in Jehanabad sub-division. Yesterday's rain may do some good. Rice is selling at Rs. 3 to Rs. 3-14 per maund.
	Howrah „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain badly wanted. Crops suffering.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Pergha. ...	Nil	Report not received.
7	Nuddea Nov. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—clouded over generally and hot. Rain badly wanted for late rice and *rubbi* in all parts of district. *Amun* rice in low lands of Meherpore doing fairly well. Present prospect of crops bad.
8	Khoolna „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—warm for the time of year. Rain wanted for the winter rice; there will be a loss of outturn from drought.
9	Jessore „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Rain badly wanted for the standing crops. Price of rice rising.
10	Moorshedabad „ 10, '88	1·58	Weather—beginning of the week cloudy at times. A shower of rain on the 9th morning. Bright and clear from afternoon of 9th. Rainfall of the 9th will benefit the standing crops much. *Rubbi* still being sown.
	Lalbagh ...	1·58	
	Kandi ...	0·42	
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of winter rice bad; outturn expected to be 6 annas. Sugarcane promising well.
12	Rajshahye „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Rain wanted for *amun* paddy as well as for *rubbi* crops. *Ganja* crop also requires rain. Prospects are worst in Manda thana. Average price of rice 15 seers per rupee; 16½ seers in the town of Beauleah.
13	Rungpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *amun* rice continue bad everywhere except in the Kurigram sub-division, where they are fair. The sowing of cold-weather crops continues. Prices of food-grains rising.
14	Bogra „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* in low lands is in ear. Rain much wanted. Transplanted *amun* withering in places. *Til* bearing pods. Mustard and *maskalai* growing.
15	Pubna „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and warm. Rain is much needed for all crops. *Amun dhan* and sugarcane now seem better.
16	Darjeeling „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cold, but unusually misty. In the plains the high land rice is said to be dying, and low land rice not developing well. In the hills rain is much wanted. Prices rising.
17	Julpigoree „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—nights and mornings cool, days rather warm, cloudy for the last two days. There is no change in the prospects of *amun* paddy, but rain may yet improve its condition. Prospects of other crops good.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVN. 18	Dacca Nov. 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. Winter crops are being sown. Early *amun* being harvested. Late *amun* has commenced to ripen. Prospects good. Rain wanted.
19	Furreedpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy in the beginning of the week, now bright. Early *amun* being harvested. All crops on the ground suffering for want of rain.
20	Backergunge „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair. The winter rice is suffering for want of rain.
21	Mymensingh „ 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of crops good.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
23	Noakholly Nov. 9, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rajasail* paddy being reaped. Rain wanted for *amun* paddy. Sowing of *rubbi* crops commenced.
24	Tipperah „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of standing crops still favourable, but a good shower of rain appears to be indispensably required to enable the *dhan* plants to come up strong in ear. Lands are being prepared for the cultivation of *rubbi* crops, and mustard seed and other seasonable crops are being sown here and there.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 6, '88	0·06	Weather—cloudy in the morning and evening throughout the week. Gathering of cotton commenced in some places; prospects not good. Paddy in low lands still flowering in some places; rain much wanted; prospects not good.
	Hill Tipperah „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—not settled; cloudy. Chillies and tobacco being transplanted. Prospects of *amun* paddy, *til* and cotton fair.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot, mornings and evenings cool. *Rubbi* sowings progressing, but rain most urgently wanted. The Sub-divisional Officer of Behar reports that the paddy plants are being cut for fodder for cattle. Prices of food-grains rising.
27	Gya „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. About 8 annas of paddy crop destroyed for want of rain. Sowing of poppy is going on. Sowing of *rubbi* is being delayed for want of moisture in the soil.
28	Shahabad „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—fair; mornings and evenings are cool. Paddy crop is fast withering for want of rain, except on canal-irrigated lands. *Rubbi* is being sown only on low lands; elsewhere sowing is practically stopped owing to absence of moisture. Prospects of this crop are gloomy. Sowing of poppy crop has commenced; prospects are reported to be unfavourable, and there will be difficulty in getting the full area sown in consequence of the want of moisture. Prices very high.
29	Durbhanga „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—clear; getting cool. The high land rice crops in the north-western part of the Madhubani sub-division and some places in the Sudder sub-division are being cut for fodder. *Rubbi* sowings slowly going on where there is moisture in the land. Prices almost stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—days hot; nights cool. *Rubbi* sowings progressing, but retarded in many places for want of sufficient moisture, and the young plants are suffering from the same cause. In parts of Sitamarhi paddy being cut for fodder. Prices rising. The price of common rice varies throughout the district from 11 to 14 seers, and of *makai* from 16 to 22 seers per rupee
31	Sarun „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—warm generally; cloudy but no rain. Sowing of *rubbi* and poppy in full progress. Rain urgently wanted.
32	Chumparun „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Paddy ripening. The upland crop, where irrigation was impossible, has failed. *Rubbi* sowings still in progress. Rain much wanted for poppy sowing.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Monghyr „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; getting cool. Paddy crop on high lands almost wholly gone in places, and *rubbi* sowings still retarded for want of rain. Price of rice going down a little.
34	Bhagulpur „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—too cloudy and hot for the season. Owing to irrigation, the late rice in the Supool sub-division is coming on better than was expected, and may yet yield an outturn of 6 annas. Over the rest of the district it may be half an average crop, and is best in Madehpura. *Rubbi* sowings still very backward. Prices easier.
35	Purneah „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear and sun very powerful. Not a sign of the rain so long looked for and so much wanted. There is no improvement in the previous prospect that the outturn of the *aghani* crop will not exceed 8 annas in any part of the district, and will probably not exceed 4 or 5 annas in some parts. Common rice 11 to 14 seers per rupee.
36	Maldah „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and generally fine, but occasionally cloudy. The continued drought has greatly injured the prospects of the rice crops. In some parts they are being irrigated, but the outturn will not exceed 8 annas on the whole, and will probably be less. Prices are, however, easier, and common rice is now selling at an average of 17 seers per rupee. The prospects of spring crops are generally fair, but in some places these too have suffered for want of rain, and to a small extent from insects.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 10, '88	0·16	Weather—winds variable; cloudy; clouds going off. The rice crops in Doomka, Deoghur and Jamtara will be very good; in Pakour and Godda fairly good; and in Rajmehal about 8 annas of rice sown on high land will suffer. Grubs are appearing in Rajmehal, and *rubbi* sowings need rain. Prices beginning to fall.
ORISSA			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack „ 9, '88	1·63	Weather—hot and cloudy at times. The rainfall during the week has benefitted the crops considerably and removed much of the apprehension which has hitherto prevailed. The high land paddy has suffered even as it is, but prospects are decidedly brighter, and prices shew a tendency to fall.
39	Pooree „ 8, '88	7·09	Weather—cloudy and rainy. The late rain has been favourable to the winter rice (late *sarad*) crop. No more rain is wanted for the present crop. Early *laghu* is being reaped in some places. Common rice 16 seers 14 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 13 seers 12 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoorda ...	5·48	
40	Balasore „ 9, '88	0·11	Weather—hot and cloudy. There having been very little rain during the week prospects of crops continue on the whole unfavourable, except within the jurisdictions of thanas Soroh and Chandbali, where a good fall is reported. Prices continue same as last week.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh Nov. 9, '88	Nil	Weather—rather unsettled, cloudy. Rain wanted for *rubbi* crops. Paddy on high lands being reaped. A 12-anna outturn of the entire crop expected.
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 42	Lohardugga „ 10, '88	0·06	Weather—cloudy. Slight rain during the week at head-quarters. It is badly needed for *rubbi* sowing. Prospect of winter paddy not favourable. Prices have a tendency to fall.
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 43	Singbhoom „ 9, '88	0·62	Weather—early part of week cloudy; rain on 6th and 7th; at present fine with sunshine. The two days' rain has benefited the *rubbi* crops and done no damage to the *dhan*, the prospects of which are as previously reported.
44	Manbhoom „ 10, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy. Reaping of paddy going on. Probable outturn 6 to 12 annas. Crops damaged everywhere more or less for want of rain. Coarse new rice selling at 18 seers the rupee in the Purulia market.

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No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Nov. 17, '88	1·94	Weather—cooler than last week. Rain fell in the district about 12th and 13th, and will be beneficial to the *rubbi* crops, though too late for the *amun* rice.
	Culna ...	3·79	
	Cutwa ...	1·31	
	Ranegunge ...	0·53	
2	Bankoora „ 17, '88	1·40	Weather—getting cool. Sharp showers on the 12th and 14th. Rain has been general, but too late to do much good to *haimanti* rice. Prospects of this crop in thanas Sonamukhi and Indus and of *rubbi* crops generally are, however, somewhat better than before. Sugarcane doing well. A further fall in prices: coarse rice at Bankoora 21 seers per rupee.
3	Birbhum „ 17, '88	0·89	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* has been benefited by the rain, but the probable outturn for the whole district will not be more than 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* fair.
	Rampur Hât ...	1·74	
4	Midnapur „ 17, '88	0·19	Nearly 4 inches of rain in Contai sub-division, but the fall was light in the rest of the district. The weather is now cold, and all clouds cleared. In Contai, the rain, it is thought, may do some good to the rice, but in other parts it was rather harmful. It will, however, be useful for the *rubbi*. Prices are varying, rising in some thanas and falling in others.
5	Hugli „ 17, '88	1·65	Weather—at first stormy and warm; then cold and fine. The rain has done much good to late rice and to *rubbi* crops, and has generally improved prospects all round.
	Serampur ...	3·64	
	Jehanabad ...	0·50	
	Howrah „ 19, '88	3·05	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* prospects good through recent rain. Paddy in flower spoiled: paddy in bud or in ear greatly benefited.
	Uluberia ...	0·55	
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs Nov. 20, '88	2·30	Weather—cool and seasonable. Rain in the beginning of the week has somewhat improved prospects of crops. Cold-weather sowing continues.
7	Nuddea „ 17, '88	1·11	Weather—cloudy at first and then rainy. Rain, which has fallen pretty generally, has done much good to *amun* rice and *rubbi* crops. Rain in the Kooshtea sub-division was very slight, while in Ranaghat it was heavy.
	Kooshtea ...	0·23	
	Meherpur ...	1·19	
	Chooadanga ...	1·15	
	Ranaghat ...	4·45	
8	Khoolna „ 18, '88	0·15	Weather—seasonable. There being no sufficient rain during the week, it is apprehended that there will be a loss in the outturn of winter rice.
9	Jessore „ 17, '88	2·37	Weather—seasonable. The recent rain has been beneficial to the standing crops. Price of rice rising.
	Jhenidah ...	0·72	
	Magoora ...	1·53	
	Narail ...	2·14	
	Bongong ...	1·20	
10	Moorshedabad „ 17, '88	0·45	Weather—getting cool. Rain will much benefit *haimanti* crop. *Kalai* getting on well. *Rubbi* sowings going on.
	Lalbagh ...	1·46	
	Kandi ...	1·35	
	Jangipur ...	0·33	
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 17, '88	0·37	Weather—fine and cool. The late rain, which was heavy in some parts and pretty general, has been good for the *rubbi* crops. Prices lower.
12	Rajshahye „ 17, '88	0·22	Weather—cold and seasonable. The recent rain has done some benefit to the crops. Price of rice has fallen a little. Everywhere the crops have suffered much from want of rain.
	Nattore ...	0·25	
	Nowgong ...	0·21	
13	Rungpur „ 17, '88	0·90	Weather—cloudy and rainy on the 14th and 15th; otherwise seasonable. Prospects have been considerably improved by the recent rain, which appears to have been general. The outturn of the *amun* crop will not fall short of 10 annas. The rain has also much improved the prospects of the *rubbi* crops.
	Kurigram ...	1·11	
	Nilphamari ...	0·55	
14	Bogra „ 17, '88	0·48	Weather—seasonable. The rain, though late and meagre, has done some good. An *amun* outturn of nearly 12 annas average may be expected. *Rubbi* prospects fair.
	Nowkhila ...	0·68	
15	Pubna „ 17, '88	0·58	Weather—nights cool, but days still rather warm for the season. More rain is wanted. *Amun* paddy is being reaped in some places. *Moong* and *mas-kalai* promise well.
	Serajgunge ...	0·12	
16	Darjeeling „ 17, '88	0·50	Weather—fine and clear. Hill crops have benefited by the rain; in the plains rain is still wanted for winter rice.
17	Julpigoree „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. Cloudy at times. *Amun* paddy is in ear. Its prospects continue bad owing to want of rain. Transplantation of tobacco in progress. Common rice sells at the Julpigoree market at 15 seers a rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Nov. 17, '88	0·48	Weather—seasonable Winter crops are being sown. Harvesting of early *amun* going on. Late *amun* ripening. Recent rain has done much good to the crops in the field. Prospects of crops continue good.
	Manickgunge ...	0·29	
	Munshigunge ...	1·7	
	Naraingunge ...	0·71	
19	Furreedpur „ 17, '88	0·49	Weather—seasonable. Prospects somewhat improved by the rain that has fallen.
	Goalundo ...	0 13	
	Madaripur ...	1·65	
20	Backergunge „ 15, '88	0·24	Weather—hot for the time of the year and cloudy. Prospects of crops good in Gournadi, Abupur, Perozepur, and Kowari, but in other places the crops are suffering for want of rain.
21	Mymensingh „ 16, '88	0·19	Weather—fine and seasonable. Prospects of crops good. *Amun* crop is being harvested.
	Netrokona ...	0·09	

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong ...	...	Report not received.
23	Noakholly Nov. 16, '88	0·09	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *rajasail* going on. *Amun* crops are thriving. Rain wanted.
	Fenny ...	0·10	
24	Tipperah „ 15, '88	0·35	Weather—seasonable Getting cold. The crops are generally good everywhere, though they would have been excellent had a shower of rain fallen about the beginning of the month. Winter cultivation has commenced with good prospects.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 13, '88	Nil.	Weather—fair, with foggy mornings throughout the week. Harvesting of early plough-paddy commenced. Late plough-paddy is forming into seeds. Prospects not good. Gathering of cotton commenced. A very poor outturn of this crop is expected this year.
	Hill Tipperah „ 14, '88	NR	Weather—cloudy. Chillies and tobacco being transplanted. Mustard and onions being sown. *Til* and cotton being gathered. *Amun* paddy not doing very well
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—fair; mornings and evenings cool. *Rubbi* sowings progressing, but retarded in many places for want of sufficient moisture, and the young plants are suffering from the same cause. The sub-divisional officer of Barh reports that paddy has almost all dried up in his sub-division, and that there may be one anna outturn. Prices of food-grains are almost stationary.
27	Gya „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. Outturn of paddy expected to be eight annas. Sowing of poppy proceeding. Sowing of *rubbi* still going on where the land can be irrigated.
28	Shahabad „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and clear; getting cool. Paddy crop is suffering for want of rain except on canal-irrigated lands. *Rubbi* is still being sown, but much retarded owing to absence of moisture. Rain badly wanted. Poppy sowings have made good progress, but owing to high temperature the plants which have germinated have suffered to some extent. Prices very high.
	Sasseram ...	0·29	
	Bhabuah ...	0·90	
29	Durbhanga „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy; getting cool. Harvesting of paddy has commenced. *Rubbi* sowings almost at a standstill for want of rain. Prices stationary.
30	Mozufferpur „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. Rain wanted for *rubbi*. In the Sitamarhi sub-division paddy in the high lands reported lost, that in the low lands very poor; *rubbi* plants suffering for want of sufficient moisture. In Sudder and Hajeepur paddy will be not less than half a crop; *rubbi* sowings are still going on, and are germinating fairly. Prices of food-grains not so high as last week.
31	Sarun „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—getting cool. Prospects unchanged. Prices rising.
32	Chumparun „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—cold, with variable wind. In the Bettiah sub-division *rubbi* is coming up well, and the seed in more than half the poppy cultivation has germinated. Prospects of *aghani* better than at first estimated. In the Sudder sub-division no alteration to report in prospects of *aghani dhan*. *Rubbi* has not germinated in many places. Rain much required. The poppy seed has germinated only in about one-sixth of the area engaged for according to the latest reports.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and clear. Winter rice on low lands doing fairly well and expected to be 8 annas on the whole. *Rubbi* sowings slowly going on where there is moisture in the soil. Prices stationary.
34	Bhagulpur „ 17, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and rather hot. Prospects continue unchanged. In Supool affairs look rather better, and prices have slightly fallen. From Madehpura no change in the state of things is announced. In Banka rice has risen somewhat in price, but the coarser food-grains are cheaper. In the Sudder sub-division there are still hopes for the *rubbi* if rain should fall; but insects are damaging the plants. Rice in the Sudder will be at the outside an 8 to 10-anna crop.
35	Purneah „ 17, '88	Rainfall not shewn.	Weather—seasonable. There has been no rain to speak of since last week's report, and therefore no improvement in the prospects of the crops. Winter sowings, however, are doing fairly well, and the price of common rice has a downward tendency.
	Kishengunge ...	0·15	
	Arrareah ...	0·08	
36	Maldah „ 17, '88	0·22	Weather—clear and cool, but occasionally cloudy. The showers have done some good to the *rubbi* crops, which generally promise fairly well; but little or no good to the winter rice, the yield of which will not to be more than 8 annas on the whole. Prices are easier; common rice selling at an average of 17½ seers per rupee.
	Shibgunge ...	0·34	
	Gajol ...	0·90	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 17, '88	1·20	Weather—cloudy all through the week, now clear. Fair reports of rice crop from nearly all the sub-divisions except Rajmehal, where only 8 annas crop expected. Rain in the week has done some good to *rubbi* crops which promise well. Prices beginning to fall.
	Deoghur ...	0·37	
	Godda ...	0·30	
	Jamtara ...	0·53	
ORISSA.	Pakur	0·18	
	Rajmahal ...	0·25	
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack „ 16, '88	1·19	Weather—fair. Copious rainfall all over the district has improved the state of *sarad* crop, except in parts of Jajpur. The outturn at Banki, which suffered most, is estimated to be 6 annas. Price of rice slightly lower.
39	Pooree „ 15, '88	0·40	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice (*sarad*) is in ear. Early *laghu* is being harvested. Miscellaneous crops doing well. Common rice 17 seers 5 chittacks per ruppee in the Sudder sub-division, and 13 seers 13 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	Khoorda ...	0·26	
40	Balasore „ 16, '88	0·77	Weather—cooling down. More or less rain throughout the district, which will benefit both *rubbi* and *sarad* crops. Prospects to some extent improved. Price of rice varies from 18 to 25 seers per rupee according to quality, except in Chandbally, where it ranges from 16 to 24 seers.

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	CHOTA NAGPORE.				
	South-West Frontier Agency.				
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN.	41	Hazaribagh	Nov. 16, '88	0·32	Weather—bright and clear; much colder since the recent rain. Rain has been more or less general, and has greatly improved prospects of *rubbi* crops. Rice being harvested; a 12-anna crop all round expected.
	42	Lohardugga	„ 17, '88	0·02	Weather—clear and cool, with no prospect of rain. Rain badly needed for *rubbi* sowing. High land paddy being reaped. No change in prices.
		Palamow	...	0·10	
	43	Singbhoom	„ 16, '88	0·03	Weather—fine and seasonable. Crop prospects much improved by the rain.
	44	Manbhoom	„ 17, '88	0·66	Weather—seasonable. Slight rain during the week. It is doubtful whether the rain will do any good to the paddy crop, which is ripe and is being reaped, but it will do great good to the *rubbi* crops. New coarse rice is being sold in the district from 16 to 24 seers per rupee.
		Gobindpur	...	0·47	

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 17th November 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 24th November 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan Nov. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable Harvesting of *amun* has commenced; outturn expected to be fair. Prospect of *rubbi* crops good.
BURDWAN DIVN. 2	Bankoora „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *haimanti* rice continue the same as before; outturn expected to be 10 annas in the Sudder sub-division and 8 annas in the Bishenpore sub-division. Sowing of *rubbi* nearly completed. Sugarcane prospering. Prices of rice have slightly risen.
BURDWAN DIVN. 3	Birbhum „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Estimate of *amun* outturn 8 annas. *Rubbi* prospects fair.
BURDWAN DIVN. 4	Midnapur „ 24, '88	Nil	Cold weather rapidly setting in; no sign of rain. Prices easier all over the district. Preparation for *boro* crop progressing.
BURDWAN DIVN. 5	Hugli „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and settled. Riceharvest has begun; and although it will be a short one, from 8 to 12 annas, there is no fear of scarcity or distress in this district. *Rubbi* crops promise well.
	Howrah „ 26, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* harvest begun. *Boro* paddy being sown. Prospects fair.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Perghs. Nov. 27, '88	Nil	Weather-cool and cloudy. Prospects of late rice not much better than before; those of other standing crops somewhat improved since the last rain. Harvesting of *amun* has commenced; average outturn estimated at from 9 to 11 annas.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 7	Nuddea „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and seasonable. The late rain has improved the prospect of the crops in every part of the district except Kushtea, where very little rain fell. *Rubbi* is promising well, and *amun* rice has been improved. The harvest is beginning.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 8	Khoolna „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* rice has commenced to be reaped in places; an average outturn of eight annas is expected.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 9	Jessore „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is being harvested in some places. Winter crops doing well. Prices stationary.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 10	Moorshedabad „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of *haimanti* rice in the Jangipore sub-division reported to be unfavourable; elsewhere it is good. The crop is being harvested in some places. *Kalai* doing well, and prospects of *rubbi* crops good
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and becoming colder. Average outturn of winter rice for the whole district now estimated at 7 annas Sugarcane promises well. Prospects of *rubbi* as yet uncertain.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 12	Rajshahye „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—warmer. Crops have suffered much from drought. Recent rain has done some benefit to them. Price of rice stationary.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 13	Rungpur „ 24, '88	Nil	*Amun* is being reaped. Mustard in flower. Tobacco is being transplanted. Cold-weather crops promising. Prices of rice rising at Sudder.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 14	Bogra „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; pleasant in the morning. Harvesting of *amun* going on. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 15	Pubna „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain is urgently needed. *Amun* and sugarcane seem fair. *Amun* being reaped in some places.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 16	Darjeeling „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Hill crops doing well; winter rice in plains not promising.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 17	Julpigoree „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Sowing of mustard and transplanting of tobacco going on. Reaping of early *amun* has commenced in places. *Rubbi* crops doing well. No change in prices.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVN. 18	Dacca Nov. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. *Amun* paddy is being harvested. Winter crops are being sown. Mustard and pulses are thriving. Prospects good.
DACCA DIVN. 19	Furreedpur .. 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State of the crops fair. Rice harvest being got in, and winter crops being sown, or else progressing nicely. Rice selling at 13 to 15 seers per rupee.
DACCA DIVN. 20	Backergunge „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair. Prospects fair generally, but in the Bhola sub-division and other places the paddy has suffered from untimely cessation of rain and attacks of insects.
DACCA DIVN. 21	Mymensingh „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and seasonable. Prospects of crops good. Ordinary old rice sells at 16 seers a rupee at Nasirabad.
	Jamalpur ...	1·42	
	Kishoregunge ...	0·45	

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BENGAL.—*concluded.*				
		Eastern Districts—concld.		
Chittagong Divn.	22	Chittagong Nov. 27, '88	Nil	Weather—somewhat hot. Reaping of rice crops begun; produce is below average. Land is being prepared for *rubbi*. Prices high.
	23	Noakholly „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *rajasail* paddy continues. A shower of rain would do good to both paddy and *rubbi* crops.
	24	Tipperah „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is being reaped in places; prospects good everywhere except in high lands. Mustard and other winter crops are being sown.
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—foggy and cold. Gathering of cotton still continues. Late ploughed paddy forming seeds. Prospects not good.
		Hill Tipperah „ 21, '88	0·45	Weather—unsettled; cloudy. Transplantation of tobacco and chillies continues. Gathering of cotton and *amun* paddy commenced.
BEHAR.				
Patna Divn.	26	Patna „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. The cutting of the rice crop has begun, and the outturn is better in the Sudder and Dinapore sub-divisions than was expected. *Rubbi* already sown has germinated and generally promises well, but destruction of 15,000 bigahs by caterpillars reported from Barh. Sowing of *rubbi* still in progress. Rain urgently needed. Prices stationary. Prospects of poppy favourable.
	27	Gya „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. *Kartika* rice is being harvested. Sowing of *rubbi* and poppy going on. *Rubbi* crops that have germinated are doing well.
	28	Shahabad „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and getting cool. Paddy is being harvested. *Rubbi* sowing in progress, but retarded for absence of rain, which is badly wanted in almost all parts of the district. Prospects have somewhat improved in the Sasseram sub-division on account of the rainfall of 12th and 13th instant. Poppy cultivation progressing favourably. A few young plants suffered from high temperature. Prices continue high except in the Buxar sub-division, where they have slightly fallen.
	29	Durbhanga „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. Harvesting of *aghani* rice has commenced in several places. *Rubbi* sowings stopped. Those sown early are germinating slowly for want of moisture. Rain is wanted for *rubbi*. The estimated yield of the *aghani* and *rubbi* crops is 7 annas. Labouring classes are at present finding labour in harvesting rice. Prices almost stationary.
	30	Muzufferpur „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. Harvesting of paddy has commenced. *Rubbi* sowings going on, but considerably retarded, especially in Sitamarhi, for want of sufficient moisture. Poppy sowings progressing favourably. In north of Sitamarhi high land paddy lost. In the low land in the north of that subdivision the yield will be fairly good. Prices of common rice falling slightly.
	31	Sarun „ 24. '88	Nil	Weather—fair; getting cool, but still warm for the time of year; occasional clouds. Sowing of *rubbi* almost completed. Poppy sowing in full progress. Rain urgently wanted. Harvesting of paddy will shortly commence. Paddy being cut for fodder in some places. Common rice and wheat falling a little in price, Indian-corn rising.
	32	Chumparun „ 24 '88	Nil	Weather—cold and foggy. Harvesting of paddy commenced. The crop will yield an outturn of 8 to 9 annas in the Bettiah sub-division. *Rubbi* and poppy germinating freely in that sub-division. Prospects remain unchanged in the Sudder sub-division. Prices stationary.
	33	Monghyr „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of winter rice on low lands continue fair. *Rubbi* sowings are coming up fairly well. Prices of food-grains have a downward tendency.
Bhagulpore Divn.	34	Bhagulpur „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—too hot for the season. Harvesting of late rice commenced. *Rubbi* sowings not yet complete, but there is yet time for wheat and barley. What has been sown is not doing well on high lands, except where irrigated.
	35	Purneah „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cool. No rain. *Aghani* crop half of average yearly outturn. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
	36	Maldah „ 24. '88 Chanchal ...	Nil 1·02	Weather—fine, cool and dry. Some of the winter rice is ripe, and the harvest has begun. The yield is expected to be between 8 and 10 annas. *Kalai* is thriving very well; the prospects of mustard vary in different places from 8 to 14 annas, and the other *rubbi* crops (wheat, barley, &c.,) have been improved by the late rain, and mostly promise very well, but hail has done some harm in the north. Common rice selling at an average of 17½ seers a rupee.
	37	Sonthal Pergha. „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cool. Harvesting of winter rice has commenced. An outturn of from 10 to 12 annas anticipated except at Rajmehal, where it is only 8 annas. *Rubbi* prospects on the whole fair.
ORISSA.				
Orissa Divn.	38	Cuttack „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. *Laghu sarad* is ripening and is being cut. *Guru sarad* in ear. Prospect of the crop is improved. Common rice sells at 18 seers 6 chittacks per rupee in town.
	39	Pooree „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Late *sarad* is in ear. Early *sarad* is being harvested. Miscellaneous crops doing well. Common rice 17 seers 7 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 15 seers 9 chittacks in the Khoorda sub-division.
	40	Balasore „ 23, '88	Nil	Cold weather seems to have fairly set in. Recent rain came too late for the rice on the highest lands, which had already withered, but where it extended (chiefly in south and centre of district) it materially benefited the plants in lower lands, and has enabled the ryots to sow their small patches of *rubbi*. Prices show a tendency to fall.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh Nov. 23, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of *rubbi* crops hopeful, but rain is needed in some parts of the district. Rice is being harvested; 12 annas outturn expected. Poppy cultivation doing well.
42	Lohardugga „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. Cold weather appears to have set in. Prospect of *rubbi* bad. Paddy being reaped. Prices of rice falling at head-quarters.
43	Singbhoom „ 23, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. The yield of the rice crop is not less than 12 annas, and in some places 14 annas. *Rubbi* prospects not very good, and worse in Dhalbhum than elsewhere. There has been a slight rise in prices during the week.
44	Manbhoom „ 24, '88	Nil	Sky clear; weather cool. Winter rice being reaped; outturn expected to be 10 annas all round. Prospect of *rubbi* not good; the rain of last week did not fall in all parts of the district. Coarse rice selling at Purulia at 20 seers per rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 1st December 1888:

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Dec. 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* progressing; outturn probably 10 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Nuan dhan* is being reaped. *Rubbi* sowing completed; for want of sufficient moisture in the soil, the growth of the young plants is being retarded to some extent. Price of coarse rice has risen from 20 to 18 seers per rupee at the Bankoora mart.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—warm for the season. Probable *amun* outturn 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* fair.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—slightly warmer than last week. Harvesting of *amun* has begun in several parts of the district, and prices are accordingly easier, especially in Ghatal, in which sub-division, as in Jumlook, *boro* cultivation has commenced. If water is procurable, this crop may be expected to make up in some degree for the deficiency in *amun*. In Contai the average outturn of *amun* is expected to be from 6 to 8 annas.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice is now being harvested with an outturn of about ten annas for the whole district—best in Sudder and worst in Jehanabad. *Rubbi* is doing well.
	Howrah „ 3, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* harvest going on. *Boro dhan* being sown. *Rubbi* prospects good.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Pergha. Dec. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of late rice continues. An outturn of 11 annas may be expected. Prospects of cold-weather crops fair.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable and cool. Prospects of crops fair. Winter rice is being harvested. Rain wanted.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—not seasonable and cloudy. Harvesting of *amun* commenced; outturn estimated to be 8 annas. Prospect of *rubbi* crop not good for want of rain.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* crop is being harvested. Prospects of winter crops fair. Prices rising.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—rather hot for the season. *Haimanti* rice is being harvested. Prospects of *kalai* and *rubbi* good.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 1, '88 Thakurgoan ...	Nil 0·22	Weather—cloudy during end of the week. Slight rain has fallen and is beneficial to the *rubbi*. Reaping of winter rice commenced.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—warm and unseasonable. Average outturn of *amun* for the whole district will be between 7 and 8 annas. Prospect of *rubbi* crop not bad. Price of rice has fallen from 17½ to 17¾ seers per rupee.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 1, '88 Nilphamari ...	0·07 0·24	Weather—cloudy with a little rain in the middle of the week, followed by bright cold weather. The rain has come too late to benefit the late rice, which will be a very poor crop. The cold-weather crops are flowering. Jute is being despatched in immense quantities to Calcutta and Serajgunge. Price of rice shows an improved tendency.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 1, '88	Nil	Very pleasant cool weather, occasional clouds. *Amun* is being reaped. Sugarcane, *til*, mustard, and *mashkalai* promising Cutting of jute finished.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Outturn of *amun* crop expected to be deficient. Rain much wanted for *rubbi* crops.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Winter crops have suffered for want of rain. Prices the same as last week.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 1, '88	0·16	Weather—cool and bright during early part of week; latterly unsettled and cloudy. Harvesting of *amun* going on; outturn estimated at 9 annas. Sugarcane doing well. Mustard and tobacco are in good condition. Common rice sells at 16 seers per rupee.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Dec. 1, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Harvesting of *amun* paddy going on, but outturn somewhat diminished owing to want of rain in Kártic. Winter crops are being sown. Mustard and pulses thriving. Prospects good.
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. There has been a threat of rain, which would do good to *rubbi*. *Rubbi* prospects, however, are quite fair. Rice harvest now nearly gathered and may be put at probably 14 annas, but certainly not less than 12 annas.
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge Nov. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair. Reaping will soon be in full swing. On an average a 10 to 12-anna crop of winter rice is expected.
Dacca Divn. 21	Mymensingh „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cool. Prospects of crops good. Ordinary new rice sells at Nasirabad at Rs. 2-4 per maund.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Dec. 4, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* being harvested. Land being prepared for winter crops. Prices high.
23	Noakholly Nov. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *rajasail* paddy nearly finished. *Amun* paddy being harvested in some places.
24	Tipperah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. There will be a good outturn of *amun* rice. Winter crops are coming on nicely.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and foggy; cloudy on the 27th. Gathering of cotton still continues. Late plough-paddy ripening in some places. Prospects not good.
	Hill Tipperah „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—unsettled; occasionally cloudy. Chillies and tobacco being transplanted. Cotton, *til* and *amun* paddy being reaped; a fair return expected.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna Dec. 1, '88	0·50	Weather—cold. Paddy is being harvested. Prospects of *rubbi* have somewhat improved on account of rainfall of 28th and 29th. Owing to rainfall fields left unsown are being sown with *rubbi*. Prices of food-grains have fallen slightly. Prospects of poppy favourable. In Barh too rain has fallen, but exact amount not reported.
	Dinapur ...	0·31	
	Behar ...	0·4	
27	Gya „ 1, '88	1·01	Weather—cloudy. Rain during the week has benefitted the *rubbi* crops standing on the fields, and has also moistened the soil to admit of further sowing. Paddy is being harvested here and there. Prices stationary. Poppy sowings nearly finished, and the plants are progressing favourably.
28	Shahabad „ 1, '88	0·58	Weather—cool and cloudy. Harvesting of paddy in progress. *Rubbi* sowings continue, recent rainfall having greatly facilitated operations. Prospects have much improved, but are still unfavourable in the Bhabuah sub-division. Sowing of poppy is nearly completed; plants which have germinated are doing well; weather is favourable for the crop. Prices continue high.
	Sasseram ...	0 37	
	Bhabuah ...	0·30	
29	Durbhanga „ 1, '88	None sufficient to record.	Weather—fair for the most part of the week, but slight rain and clouds in the morning of 29th and 30th. There is no material change from last week. The slight showers will do but very little good. Paddy is being harvested. Prices falling. Common rice 16 seers and murwa 22 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur Nov. 30, '88	0·28	Weather—cool and clear till the 28th and 29th, when showers fell in the Sudder sub-division. Rain beneficial, but more wanted for *rubbi* crops and poppy. Harvesting of paddy progressing. In Sitamarhi prospects of *rubbi* not good where there is no irrigation. Poppy in irrigated lands germinating freely; elsewhere resowings being made. Prices of food-grains shew a tendency to fall.
	Hajipur ...	Drizzle.	
	Sitamarhi ...	0·5	
31	Sarun Dec. 1, '88	0·45	Weather—cloudy with rain on 28th and 29th. Rain from an inch to an inch and a half is believed to have fallen all over the district. Harvesting of paddy is in progress. *Rubbi* has been much benefitted by rain. Sowing of poppy is in full swing. Prices of food-grains stationary with a tendency to fall.
	Sewan ..	0 73	
32	Chumparun „ 1, '88	0·23	Weather—cloudy during the greater part of the week; fair for the last two days. Rainfall of the 29th has considerably benefitted the standing crops; but the fall was only local. Report from affected tract is awaited. In the Bettiah sub-division sowing of poppy nearly completed, and the germination looks healthy; in the Sudder sub-division nearly one-third of the land engaged for remains yet to be sown. Harvesting of paddy continues. Prices of principal food-grains almost stationary.
Bhagulpora Divn. 33	Monghyr „ 1, '88	0·36	Weather—seasonable. Getting cold. Harvesting of winter rice has commenced. Rain has done much good to *rubbi* crops, and has improved prospects generally. Prices easy.
34	Bhagulpur „ 1, '88	0·11	Weather—colder and cloudy since 29th. Harvesting of *aghani* crop continues. *Rubbi* sowings nearly finished. Rain has probably been general and will benefit growing crops and help to complete wheat sowings. Prospects improving. Sugarcane being cut and pressed.
	Mudehpura ...	0·22	
35	Purneah „ 1, '88	0·28	A little rain on one day, otherwise weather bright and clear. Harvesting of *aghani* paddy in full swing; an eight-anna outturn is expected. Winter crops doing fairly well.
	Kishengunge ...	0·35	
	Arrareah ...	0·34	
36	Maldah „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—still warm for the season, and sometimes cloudy. Winter rice is ripe in most places; outturn expected to be nine annas. Prospects of *kalai* very good, and of mustard fair. Other *rubbi* crops (wheat, barley, gram, &c.) are generally doing well. Common rice selling at any average of 17 seers 7 chittacks per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 1, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy for the last few days. Winter rice harvest commenced; an outturn of about 12 annas expected, excepting at Rajmehal, where it will be from 8 to 10 annas. *Rubbi* prospects fair.
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack Nov. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—fair. *Sarad* rice ripening and being cut in places. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Late *sarad* (winter crop) ripening. *Laghu sarad* being harvested. *Rubbi* doing well. Common rice 19 seers 1 chittack per rupee in the Sudder sub-division, and 19 seers in the Khoordah sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 30, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rice is being reaped everywhere, the general outturn for the district will probably not fall much short of a 10-anna crop. Prices easier. *Rubbi* doing well.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVS. 41	Hazaribagh Nov. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—warm for the time of the year; rather unsettled; cloudy since the last three or four days. Paddy still being harvested; a 12-anna crop all round expected. *Rabbi* crops doing well, but more rain wanted. Poppy promising. Food-grains cheaper all over the district.
42	Lohardugga Dec. 1, '88	0·10	Weather—cloudy. Slight rain; more expected. Reaping of paddy going on. Prices stationary.
43	Singbhoom Nov. 30, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy during last two days, but no rain. Winter rice is estimated at 14 annas crop. *Rabbi* prospects not improved Prices steady, but very high as compared with last year. Cattle disease prevailing in parts of Dhalbhum, Porahat and Seraikella.
44	Manbhoom Dec. 1, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice in progress. Outturn about 10 annas. *Rabbi* injuriously affected by want of rain. Coarse rice selling at 22 seers for the rupee.

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STATEMENT showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal as reported to Government during the week ending the 1st December 1888.

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 8th December 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Dec. 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* continue fair. Harvesting of *amun* rice not yet complete.
Burdwan Divn. 2	Bankoora ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. *Haimanti* rice is being reaped; outturn expected to be 10 annas in the Sudder and 8 annas in the Bishenpore sub-division. Prospects of *rubbi* not so good in Bishenpore as in Sudder sub-division. Sugarcane doing well. Price of rice has slightly fallen at the Bankoora market.
Burdwan Divn. 3	Birbhum ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. Harvesting of *amun* progressing; probable outturn 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
Burdwan Divn. 4	Midnapur ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and dry. Harvesting of rice going on all over the district, and prices have fallen. General outturn of the crop will be about 9 annas. *Rubbi* in the west is doing fairly.
Burdwan Divn. 5	Hugli ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter paddy crop has been nearly harvested. The outturn of whole district will be above 10 annas. *Rubbi* crops are doing well.
	Howrah ,, 10, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* being reaped. *Boro* being sown. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs. Dec. 11, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues; average outturn expected to be 11 annas. *Rubbi* sowing nearly completed. Pressing of sugarcane has commenced.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* is still going on. Prospects of winter crops favourable. Rain wanted.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is being harvested; outturn estimated to be 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* not good for want of rain.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. Harvesting of *amun* crop going on. Cold-weather crops prospering.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad ,, 8, '88 Jangipur ...	Nil 0·30	Weather—seasonable and getting cool. *Haimanti* rice is being harvested. Prospects of *kalai* and *rubbi* good.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Sowing of *rubbi* nearly finished. Reaping of winter rice continues.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye ,, 8, '88 Nowgong ...	Nil 0·3	Weather—much colder. Average outturn of *amun* for the whole district will be between 7 and 8 annas. *Rubbi* prospects not bad. Pulses sown doing well Ganja crop being irrigated
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy and warm. Harvesting of late rice has commenced. The crop will be considerably under the average. Mustard is flowering well, and tobacco promises to yield a good return. Wheat is being sown. Potatoes are being got in. Prices still show an upward tendency
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra ,, 8, '88 Sherpore ... Nowkhila ...	0·04 0·23 0·20	Weather—cool. Reaping of *amun* continues. *Til*, mustard, *mashkalai*, *masoor* and flax are growing promisingly. Sugarcane and *sone* jute commenced to be cut.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna ,, 8, '88 Serajgunge ...	Nil 0·10	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of crops fair; outturn not likely to exceed 10 annas.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. Rain wanted. *Marwa* and paddy being harvested, and in some places *bhadoi dhan*. Crops generally doing fairly well, but could be materially benefited by rain.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree ,, 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine for the most part of the week; occasionally cloudy. Harvesting of *amun* continues. New rice is coming into the market. There is no change in price. Sugarcane is being cut; outturn is estimated at 14 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Dec. 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Harvesting of *amun* paddy is being completed. Late winter crops are being sown; others are thriving. Prospects good.
Dacca Divn. 19	Furreedpur ,, 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. No change to report in the matter of the actual harvest, now nearly all in, and good, nor in the good prospects of the *rubbi*.
Dacca Divn. 20	Backergunge ,, 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* crop has commenced in some places. Prospects of crops fair. Price of rice rising in Bhola.
Dacca Divn. 21	Mymensingh ,, 7, '88	·05	Weather—cool and cloudy. Prospects of crops good. Price of ordinary new rice has remained stationery at Nasirabad during the week.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	***Eastern Districts*—concld.**		
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong Dec. 11, '88	Nil	Weather seasonable. *Amun* being reaped. Lands being prepared for winter crops. Prices steady.
23	Noakholly „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* crop is being harvested. State of betel-nut crop good.
24	Tipperah „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is being harvested. Prospects of winter crops favourable.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 4, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy throughout, except the last two days of the week. Gathering of cotton still continues. Late plough-paddy ripening.
	Hill Tipperah „ 5, '88	Nil	Weather—cold Chillies and tobacco doing well. Reaping of *amun* paddy and *til* continues.
BEHAR.			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy in progress. Prospects of *rubbi* good. All *rubbi* fields have now been sown. Prices of food-grains stationary. Prospects of poppy favourable.
	Barh ...	1 inch on 28th and 29th November.	
27	Gya „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy for the past three days. Prospects of *rubbi* tolerably fair. Poppy doing well. Paddy being harvested.
28	Shahabad „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cool; occasionally cloudy. Harvesting of paddy in progress; some damage to the crop by hail-storm is reported from Bhaboosh. *Rubbi* sowings almost completed; in places the crops are germinating. Prospects fair. Poppy cultivation is progressing favourably. Prices of food-grains stationary.
29	Durbhanga „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—fair for the whole week, except on the 6th, when there were clouds. *Dhan* is being harvested throughout the district, and threshing operations are going on. The latest slight shower of rain has done little good to the *rubbi* Prices almost stationary. Common rice 16 seers and *marwa* 22 to 23 seers per rupee.
30	Mozufferpur „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and occasionally cloudy. Harvesting of paddy continues; outturn estimated at 9 annas in Sudder, 10 annas in Hajipur, and 4 annas in Sitamurhi. Rain of last week beneficial to *rubbi* and poppy, but more wanted especially in the Sitamurhi sub-division for both crops. Poppy doing well. A full *rubbi* crop expected in Hajipur.
	Hajipur ...	0·32	
31	Sarun „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—occasionally cloudy; colder than the preceding week. Prospect of *rubbi* favourable. Harvesting of paddy is in full swing. Swing of poppy almost over. Prices of food-grains have slightly fallen.
	Sewan	0·69	
32	Chumparun „ 8 '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. *Rubbi* coming up with fair prospects in the Bettiah sub-division, and in that part of the Sudder where there is moisture in the soil. Poppy sowings coming to a close, and prospects improved by the favourable weather. Harvesting of paddy continues. Prices stationary.
Bhagulpore Divn. 33	Monghyr Dec. 8, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and cloudy for the most part of the week. Harvesting of winter rice in progress; outturn about 8 annas. *Rubbi* sowings on the lands left unsown for want of moisture, still going on. Prices stationary.
	Begusarai ...	0·58	
	Jamooe ...	0·29	
34	Bhagulpur „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Harvesting of late rice and *kurthi* continues. The late rain has enabled the cultivators to sow barley, wheat and gram, so that *rubbi* sowings are nearly complete. More rain wanted except for oilseeds in flower. Prospects of all crops fair.
	Banka ...	0·17	
	Soopole ...	0·16	
	Madehpura ...	0·03	
35	Purneah „ 8, '88	Nil	Weather—clear. Cold weather has fairly set in. *Aghani* harvest proceeding Winter crops are doing well.
36	Maldah „ 8, '88	0·08	Weather—cool and cloudy with west winds. Harvesting of winter rice has begun; outturn expected to be 9 annas. Prospects of *kalai*, mustard and other *rubbi* crops generally good. Common rice selling at an average of 18½ seers per rupee.
	Shibgunge ...	0·20	
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 8, '88	0·28	Weather—cool and occasionally cloudy. Harvesting of paddy in full activity; an outturn of about 12 annas expected, except at Rajmehal, where it will be from 8 to 10 annas. *Rubbi* on the whole fair, but not so good as in an average 7 annas.
	Pakur ...	0·56	
ORISSA.			
Orissa Divn. 38	Cuttack Dec. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. *Lughu sarad* is being cut. *Guru sarad* ripening. Outturn of crops estimated at 8 annas. Price of rice falling.
39	Pooree „ 6, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice (late *sarad*) is ripening. *Bada laghu* is being harvested. *Dalua* crop is being sown. *Rubbi* crops doing well Common rice 20 seers 3 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 20 seers 1 chittack in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice is being reaped. *Rubbi* doing well. Price of rice falling.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVS. 41	Hazaribagh Dec. 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cloudy again. Harvesting of paddy still continues; outturn estimated at 12 annas. *Rubbi* doing well except in Huntergunge and Chatra, where rain is urgently wanted. *Surguja* approaching maturity; a good outturn expected. Prospects of poppy promising. Cattle disease reported from Chatra, Purhi, Huntergunge, and Juggessar.
42	Lohardugga „ 8, '88	0·03	Weather—cloudy with a few drops of rain. Reaping of paddy is still going on. Prospect of *rubbi* is very poor.
43	Singbhoom „ 7, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable, but sky slightly clouded. Paddy on the low lands is being reaped; average yield 14 annas. *Rubbi* crops not expected to yield more than 4 annas. Prices same as last week.
44	Manbhoom „ 8, '88	0·08	Sky clear—weather cool. Harvesting of winter rice in progress; outturn now estimated to be about 12 annas. Coarse rice selling at 20 to 24 seers per rupee.
	Govindpur ...	0·07	

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 15th December 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVN. 1	Burdwan Dec. 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Rubbi* prospects fair. *Amun* harvest in progress; yield from 9 to 10 annas on average for the whole district.
BURDWAN DIVN. 2	Bankoora ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues. *Rubbi* suffering for want of moisture in Hirbhunpore sub-division; it is doing well in the Sudder. Sugarcane promises a good crop. Prices stationary.
BURDWAN DIVN. 3	Birbhum ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of *amun* progressing; probable outturn 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
BURDWAN DIVN. 4	Midnapur ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and dry. Rice harvest better than was expected; outturn in Contai 8 annas and in Tumluk nearly 10 annas. Rain wanted for *rubbi* and water for *boro* rice, but prospects of both crops fair. Prices stationary.
BURDWAN DIVN. 5	Hugli ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* paddy has been harvested. Sugarcane and *rubbi* crops are doing well. Common rice is selling at Rs. 2 to Rs. 2-8 per maund.
	Howrah ,, 17, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *amun* going on. Sowing of *boro* in progress. Sugarcane being planted. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 6	24-Pergns. Dec. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and bright. Harvesting of *amun* in progress. Pressing of sugarcane going on.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 7	Nuddea ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and seasonable. Harvest of *amun* continues to give a poor outturn. *Rubbi* prospects fair except in Kushtea, where they are reported to be not satisfactory. Rain is wanted.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 8	Khoolna ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* going on; outturn expected to be 10 annas in the south and 8 annas in the north of the district. Prospect of *rubbi* not good.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 9	Jessore ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. *Amun* harvesting still continues. Winter crops doing well.
PRESIDENCY DIVN. 10	Moorshedabad ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Haimanti* rice is still being harvested. *Rubbi* promising. *Kalai* begun to ripen.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 11	Dinagepur ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice progressing. Prospect of *rubbi* crops fair. Sugarcane promises well. Price of rice 17 seers per rupee.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 12	Rajshahye ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of winter rice has commenced. Prospects of spring crops generally favourable.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 13	Rungpur ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. The *amun* rice is good only in marshy tracts, where it will yield a heavy crop. In the uplands the outturn will not exceed half an average return. Wheat is coming up well, and mustard will give splendid returns. Tobacco is being planted out and promises finely. Pulses are doing well. Prices stationary.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 14	Bogra ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is being harvested with fair outturn. Price of rice 21 seers per rupee. *Rubbi* prospects continue good.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 15	Pubna ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is nearly reaped. *Rubbi* crops not progressing well. Outturn not above 10 annas.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 16	Darjeeling ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Most of the crops cut. Prospects favourable.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 17	Julpigoree ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* rice going on; outturn will be about 9 annas. Tobacco plants are reported to have been injured by insects in the Mynagoree thana. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue fair. Prices of food-grains, especially of pulses, have slightly risen.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVN. 18	Dacca Dec. 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Harvesting of *amun* paddy nearly completed. Winter crops thriving. Cutting of sugarcane has commenced. *Boro* paddy being planted. Prospects of crops good.
DACCA DIVN. 19	Furreedpur ,, 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rice harvest nearly finished with good outturn. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
DACCA DIVN. 20	Backergunge ,, 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* crop has commenced. A 12-anna crop is expected in most parts of the district. Price of rice gradually rising in Bhola.
DACCA DIVN. 21	Mymensingh ,, 14, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cool. Prospects of crops good. Price of new rice continues stationary.

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BENGAL—*concluded.*			
	Eastern Districts—concld.		
Chittagong Divs. 22	Chittagong Dec. 18, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* still being harvested. Land being prepared for winter crops. Prices stationary.
23	Noakholly „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* going on. State of *rubbi* crops fair.
24	Tipperah „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. *Amun* rice is being gathered with very fair outturn. Standing crops are doing well.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 11, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and foggy in the morning. Gathering of cotton nearly over. Harvesting of late plough-paddy commenced in some places; outturn not good. Sowing of mustard over. Prospect very bad for want of rain.
	Hill Tipperah „ 12, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Prospects of chillies and tobacco fair. *Amun* paddy still being reaped.
BEHAR			
Patna Divn. 26	Patna Dec. 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy continues. Prospects of *rubbi* favourable. Poppy doing well. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Paddy is being harvested. Prospects of *rubbi* promising. Poppy progressing favourably.
28	Shahabad „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Reaping of paddy crop almost finished. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Prices stationary.
29	Durbhanga „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and colder. Much better reports all round of the *rubbi* crop. Rice is being cut and harvested; outturn somewhat better than previous estimates. The people are in good condition. Prices easier in the north; stationary elsewhere
30	Mozufferpur „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and clear. Harvesting of paddy continues and will be shortly completed. Prospects of *rubbi* crops favourable in Sudder and Hajipur sub-divisions, but bad in Sitamarhi. Poppy sowings completed except in two kothis, and prospects favourable.
31	Sarun „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—fine, cold and seasonable. *Aghani* rice has been a full 8-anna crop or more. *Rubbi* prospects good. Poppy sowings over. Prices of food-grains falling.
32	Chumparun „ 15 '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair with west wind occasionally. Paddy is being harvested. New rice has begun to come into the markets. *Rubbi*, where sown, is coming up, but requires irrigation. Poppy sowings almost over; prospects hopeful. Prices of principal food-grains have fallen at Bettiah. Number of labourers on test works increasing daily.
33	Monghyr Dec. 15, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of winter rice continues. *Rubbi* sowing nearly completed. Prospects of poppy very fair. Prices easy.
Bhagulpore Divn. 34	Bhagulpur „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Late rice, *kurthi* and *kalai* being reaped. In the north more than half the low land rice has been harvested with an eight to twelve-anna outturn. Rain wanted for *rubbi* crops. The manufacture of goor from sugarcane in progress. Prospects generally fair.
35	Purneah „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cold. Cold-weather crops promise well. *Aghani* prospects appear better than anticipated. Prices falling.
36	Maldah „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cool. The harvest of the winter rice continues, with 9 annas outturn. The *rubbi* crops are doing well. Common rice selling at an average of 18 seers per rupee.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of paddy is in full progress, and the outturn is average except in Rajmehal, where it is expected to be only eight or ten annas. Prospects of *rubbi* continue favourable.
ORISSA.			
38	Cuttack Dec. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. *Laghu sarad* is being cut. *Guru sarad* ripening. *Rubbi* crop progressing. Price of rice is falling.
Orissa Divn. 39	Pooree „ 13, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter rice (late *sarad*) is being harvested. *Dalua* rice is being sown. *Rubbi* crops doing well. Common rice 20 seers 5 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 20 seers 1 chittack in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—getting colder. Reaping of winter rice continues. Outturn in north-east of the district poorer than was anticipated. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good. Price of rice has fallen.

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CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
Chota Nagpore Divn. 41	Hazaribagh Dec. 14, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold. Harvesting of paddy coming to a close; no reason to alter previous estimate of outturn, viz., 12 annas. *Rubbi* promising except in small tracts where there has been no rain of late. *Poppy*, though somewhat backward, is coming up well, and prospects favourable so far.
42	Lohardugga „ 15, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain wanted for *rubbi* crops. Harvesting of paddy is about to be completed; estimated outturn 7 to 10 annas. Prices stationary.
43	Singbhoom „ 14, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. Paddy is being harvested; yield of the crop is about 12 to 14 annas. Prospect of *rubbi* crops is rather bad for want of rain. Prices same as those of last week.
44	Manbhoom „ 15, '88	Nil	Sky clear; weather cool. Harvesting of winter rice still in progress; outturn estimated to be 12 annas all round. Coarse rice selling from 20 to 24 seers for the rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 22nd December 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Div. 1	Burdwan Dec. 22, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and seasonable. Standing crops promise well. Harvesting of *amun* continues. Common rice 18 seers per rupee.
Burdwan Div. 2	Bankoora „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues. Condition of *rubbi* is good in the Sudder sub-division, and in the flooded tract in the Bishenpore sub-division. Sugarcane doing well. Prices have slightly risen.
Burdwan Div. 3	Birbhum „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Reaping of paddy nearly finished; outturn probably above 8 annas, but not above 10 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* good.
Burdwan Div. 4	Midnapur „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold at night, but still warm at midday. Harvesting of rice now nearly completed; considerably over 8 annas crop in all but the flooded parts of Contai and Tamlook. *Boro* being transplanted in the Tamlook sub-division. *Rubbi* is reported as doing fairly.
Burdwan Div. 5	Hugli „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Winter crops doing well. *Amun* paddy has been harvested in Jehanabad, and is being reaped in other sub-divisions. Common rice Rs. 2 to Rs. 2-12 per maund.
	Howrah „ 24, '88	Nil	Weather—Seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* going on. *Boro* being sown. Prospects fair.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs.	Nil	Report not received.
Presidency Divn. 7	Nuddea „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; the sky was much overcast for two nights, but has cleared. Temperature low. *Amun* harvest has given an outturn much below the average. *Rubbi* crops are favourably reported on except in Kushtea. *Kalai* and mustard are being gathered in the north. Rain is expected.
Presidency Divn. 8	Khoolna „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and clear. *Amun* rice is being reaped; outturn estimated at an average of about 10 annas for the district. Cold-weather crops only middling.
Presidency Divn. 9	Jessore „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* is still being harvested. Cold-weather crops thriving and reported to be generally fair.
Presidency Divn. 10	Moorshedabad „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Haimanti* rice is being cut and threshed. *Kalai* has begun to ripen, and in some places it is being harvested. *Rubbi* crops promising.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and clear. Winter rice is being harvested. Sugarcane nearly fit to cut and a good outturn expected. Prospects of *rubbi* fair.
Rajshahye Divn. 12	Rajshahye „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice progressing; outturn expected to be 8 annas. Prospects of spring crops fair.
Rajshahye Divn. 13	Rungpur „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—much colder than at the date of the last report with strong north-easterly wind. Harvesting of late rice proceeding; outturn generally better than was expected. Sugarcane is being cut. Wheat and pulses coming up well. Mustard is poor on uplands, elsewhere it is a heavy crop. Tobacco is flourishing.
Rajshahye Divn. 14	Bogra „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; cool. Winter rice is being reaped. Prospect of *rubbi* crops good.
Rajshahye Divn. 15	Pubna „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Outturn of *amun* poor. Sugarcane fair. Prospects of *rubbi* crops bad. Rain wanted.
Rajshahye Divn. 16	Darjeeling „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and cold. Crops still being cut. Wheat and barley in head-quarters sub-division doing fairly well, but rain is wanted. Reports from sub-division satisfactory.
Rajshahye Divn. 17	Julpigoree „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues. Winter crops doing well. Rice sells at 16 seers a rupee at the Sudder station.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn 18	Dacca Dec. 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Cutting of sugarcane continues. *Amun* paddy has been harvested. New *amun* rice is coming into market. Winter crops doing well. Prospects good.
Dacca Divn 19	Furreedpur „ 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable with a fair prospect of seasonable rain. Harvest of rice practically gathered in, and a good harvest. *Rubbi* prospects good.
Dacca Divn 20	Backergunge „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospect of crops fair. Harvesting of *amun* crop is going on. Price of rice gradually increasing at Bhola.
Dacca Divn 21	Mymensingh „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Prospects of crops good.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong	Nil	Report not received.
Chittagong Divn. 23	Noakholly „ 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* still being harvested. State of *rubbi* crops good.
Chittagong Divn. 24	Tipperah „ 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* rice is being reaped with a fair outturn. Winter crops doing well.
Chittagong Divn. 25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. „ 18, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and foggy throughout the week, and very raw in the mornings before the mists lift. Harvesting of late rice continues. Mustard, chillies and other cold-weather crops progressing.
	Hill Tipperah „ 19, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Chillies and tobacco promising. *Amun* paddy continues to be reaped.

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BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna Dec. 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and cloudy. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy continue favourable. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Paddy is being harvested and threshed. Prospects of *rubbi* promising.
28	Shahabad ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cold. Harvesting of paddy nearly completed. *Rubbi* crops reported to be good except in Bhaboosh. Rain wanted. Poppy sowings completed, and the weather has been favourable, and the outturn should be good.
29	Durbhanga ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold. Harvesting of paddy nearly completed. Prospects of *rubbi* fair, but rain is required. Prices rising. Common rice 14 seers, *murwa* 16 to 17 seers and *makai* 17 to 18 seers to the rupee.
30	Muzufferpur ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and bright. *Rubbi* crops in Hajeepore sub-division promising well; prospects in Sudder fair, but unfavourable in Sitamurhi; rain generally wanted for all crops. Poppy doing fairly well. Prices of principal food-grains rising in Sitamurhi.
31	Sarun ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable; bright and cold. Poppy sowings completed with success. *Rubbi* prospects excellent. Prices of grains falling.
32	Chumparun ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and foggy. Paddy harvest approaching completion. Prospects of *rubbi* promising in Bettiah and fair in parts of the Sudder sub-division. *Arhar* is a good crop. Poppy doing well; sowing almost over. The number of persons on the test relief works has increased, but not so rapidly as in last week.
BHAGULPORE DIVN. 33	Mongbyr Dec. 22, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and clear. Harvesting of winter rice nearly finished; outturn about 8 annas. Prospects of *rubbi* continue favourable. Prices easy.
34	Bhagulpur ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of late rice, *kalai* and *kurthi* still in progress. The early sowings of the latter crop have yielded better than the late ones. A little barley is still being sown, and the area under this crop is larger than usual. *Rubbi*, except mustard, doing fairly. Prices steady.
35	Purneah ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cold. Harvest of *aghani* 8 annas. *Rubbi* crops promising.
36	Maldah ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—generally fine and cool. Harvest of winter rice continues with 9 annas outturn. Prospects of *kalai* and mustard good. Other *rubbi* crops thriving, but require rain.
37	Sonthal Perghs. ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—dry; becoming warmer. Paddy crop being reaped. Winter crops doing fairly well.
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVN. 38	Cuttack Dec. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Late *sarad* (winter rice) ripening. *Laghu sarad* is being harvested. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree ,, 20, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice (*sarad*) going on. *Dalua* crop has sprung up. Miscellaneous crops doing well. Common rice 20 seers 9 chittacks per rupee in the Sudder sub-division and 20 seers in the Khoorda sub-division.
40	Balasore ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice continues. Prospects of *rubbi* crops good.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
CHOTA NAGPORE DIVN. 41	Hazaribagh Dec. 21, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of low land paddy still in progress. *Rubbi* and poppy promising. A shower of rain will do immense good to both crops. *Surguja* being cut; outturn between 10 and 12 annas.
42	Lohardugga ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain badly wanted for *rubbi* crops. Harvesting of paddy is almost finished. Prices steady.
43	Singbhoom ,, 21, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. Paddy is still being harvested in some places. Average yield would be about 12 or 13 annas. *Rubbi* crops have suffered much for want of rain. Yield of *rubbi* crops cannot be expected to be more than 4 or 6 annas. Prices same as those of last week.
44	Manbhoom ,, 22, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice nearly over; outturn estimated to be 12 annas. *Rubbi* suffering for want of rain. Coarse rice selling from 18 to 24 seers per rupee

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the crops in the different districts of Bengal, as reported to Government, during the week ending the 29th December 1888.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather and state and prospects of the crops.
	BENGAL.		
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Divn. 1	Burdwan Dec. 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. Prospects continue fair. Prices stationary.
2	Bankoora ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Reaping of *amun* nearly finished, outturn 10 annas in the Sudder sub-division and 8 annas in the Bishenpore sub-division. *Rubbi* promising. Prices have fallen.
3	Birbhum ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Reaping of *amun* almost finished. *Rubbi* crops doing well.
4	Midnapur ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fine. Harvesting of *amun* nearly complete. Exportation still going on, but not to a large extent. *Rubbi* requires rain. *Boro* is being extensively planted out wherever water is available.
5	Hugli ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Sugarcane and *rubbi* crops doing well. Cutting and storing of *amun* paddy nearly finished. Price of common rice Rs. 2 per maund in Jehanabad and between Rs. 2-12 and Rs. 3 in Sudder.
	Howrah ...		Report not received.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn. 6	24-Perghs ...		Report not received.
7	Nuddea Dec. 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* rice still going on outturn below the average. Prospects of *rubbi* crops fair.
8	Khoolna ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and clear. *Amun* rice being reaped; outturn estimated at an average of about 10 annas for the district. Cold-weather crops only middling.
9	Jessore ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. State and prospects of *amun* and winter crops favourable.
10	Moorshedabad ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Haimanti* rice and *kalai* are being harvested and threshed. *Rubbi* promising.
Rajshahye Divn. 11	Dinagepur ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospect of winter crops fair.
12	Rajshahye ...		Report not received.
13	Rungpur ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold with heavy dews at night. The paddy harvest is now in full swing. Except in the southern portion of the district, the outturn will be a little below the average. Mustard is ripening fast. Tobacco is looking well, and the prospects of wheat and pulses are equally favourable.
14	Bogra ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cool. The reaping and storing of *amun* paddy continue. *Rubbi* crops are growing well.
15	Pubna ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. *Amun* crop below 8 annas in the Sudder sub-division; in the Serajgunge sub-division it is somewhat better. Sugarcane moderate. *Rubbi* crops very deficient for want of rain.
16	Darjeeling ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—too dry and clear for this time of year. Crops are doing fairly well, but would be materially benefited by rain.
17	Julpigoree ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of paddy in progress. *Rubbi* crops doing well. No change in prices.
	Eastern Districts.		
Dacca Divn. 18	Dacca Dec. 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fine. Mustard has commenced to ripen. *Boro* paddy is being planted. *Maskalai* being gathered. Prospects of winter crops good.
19	Furreedpur ,, 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. The rain holds off. The *rubbi* crops (only crops now growing) have good prospects.
20	Backergunge ,, 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* crop going on. Prospects fair. Price of rice gradually increasing at Bhola.
21	Mymensingh ,, 28, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and cloudy. Prospects of crops good.
Chittagong Divn. 22	Chittagong ...		Report not received.
23	Noakholly ,, 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of *amun* continues. *Rubbi* crops getting on well.
24	Tipperah ,, 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Cutting of *amun* rice nearly finished; outturn fair. Standing crops doing well.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts. ,, 25, '88	Nil	Weather—very cool and foggy. Gathering of late plough paddy continues. Mustard, chillies, tobacco and other cold-weather crops progressing.
	Hill Tipperah ,, 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonably cold. Prospects of chillies and tobacco fair. Reaping of *amun* paddy nearly finished.

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BEHAR.			
Patna Divn.			
26	Patna Dec. 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy almost over. Prospects of *rubbi* and poppy favourable. Prices of food-grains stationary.
27	Gya „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Paddy is being harvested and threshed. Prospects of *rubbi*, so far as sown, promising.
28	Shahabad „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—fair and cold. Paddy is being threshed. Prospects of *rubbi* crops generally fair, but rain wanted. Poppy doing well.
29	Durbhanga „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and bright. Paddy harvest approaching completion. Prospects of *rubbi* fair, but rain wanted. Poppy, *rahar* and tobacco doing well. Prices at head-quarters remain unchanged from last week.
30	Mozufferpur „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and bright. Harvesting of paddy finished. *Rubbi* and poppy doing well except in the northern part of the Sitamurhi sub-division, where the prospects are unfavourable. Tobacco doing well. Rain much wanted for *rubbi*. Price of common rice varies from 11 seers at Sonbursa to 16 seers in Hajeopore; *makai* sells from 17 seers to 23 seers the rupee.
31	Sarun „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Poppy and *rubbi* prospects good. There will be a bumper crop almost everywhere if the usual Christmas rain falls.
32	Chumparun „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and fair. Harvesting of *aghani* nearly finished, threshing still going on. *Rubbi* in good condition in Bettiah, but rain wanted. Prospects of poppy excellent; weeding operation has commenced in Motihari sub-division. Prices almost stationary.
Bhagulpore Divn.			
33	Monghyr Dec. 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice completed. Prospects of *rubbi* crops continue favourable. Prices stationary.
34	Bhagulpur „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—bright and cold. The rice harvest in the north is nearly over, and more than half has been reaped in the south of the district. *Rubbi* crops have germinated well, but require a little rain. *Katai* and *kurthi* being reaped. Prices stationary.
35	Purneah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—clear and cold. *Aghani* crop nearly harvested. *Rubbi* crops very fair. Common rice still 16 seers per rupee.
36	Maldah „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—fine and cool. Winter rice is still being reaped. Reaping of *kalai* commenced with good outturn. Rain is wanted for the full growth of wheat and barley.
37	Sonthal Perghs. „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—dry and cold. Harvesting of paddy nearly over. Prospects of winter crops fair.
ORISSA			
Orissa Divn.			
38	Cuttack Dec. 28, '88	Nil	Weather—cool and fair. Reaping of *sarad* rice in progress. Prospect of *rubbi* crops good. Common rice sells at 21 seers per rupee in town.
39	Pooree „ 27, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Harvesting of winter rice still continues. *Dalua* or spring rice crop doing well. Rain much required for *mung*. Common rice 20 seers 4 chittacks per rupee in the Suddor sub-division, and 20 seers 1 chittack in the Khoordah sub-division.
40	Balasore „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rice harvest nearly completed. *Rubbi* doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
South-West Frontier Agency.			
Chota Nagpore Divn.			
41	Hazaribagh Dec. 28, '88	Nil	Weather—cold. Harvesting of paddy finished; yield estimated at 12 annas all round. Rain wanted for *rubbi*. Poppy being irrigated.
42	Lohardugga „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Rain badly wanted for *rubbi* crops. No change in prices.
43	Singbhoom „ 28, '88	Nil	Weather—seasonable. Prospects of *rubbi* are likely to be injuriously affected if rain does not fall soon. Cattle disease reported in Dhalbhum, Seraikella, and Chakradharpore. Prices same as last week.
44	Manbhoom „ 29, '88	Nil	Weather—cold and clear. Harvesting of winter rice almost over; outturn varies from 10 to 16 annas; the general average is over 12 annas. *Rubbi* crops growing; outturn will be much below the average.

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